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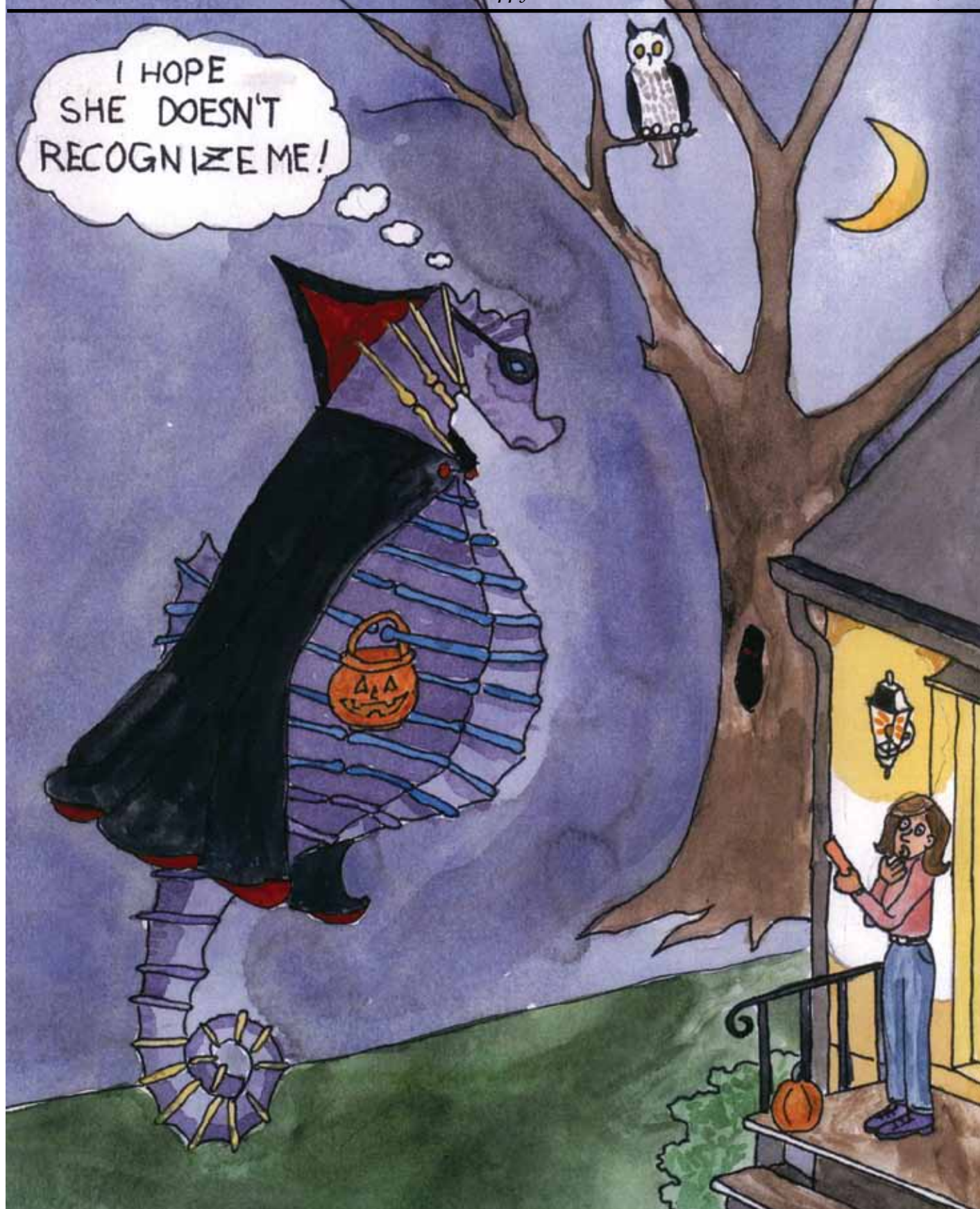


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Soiree Shines Light on Local Park

By Laura Pedulli

Dunseith Gardens is located right behind Salty the Seahorse at Route 6 and North Street, yet many locals are unaware of this little gem right in our midst.

To draw attention to this public park, the Mattapoisett Land Trust hosted its fourth annual Salty Silvery Moon Soiree – a night of campfires, old-fashioned storytelling, s'mores, cider, and children sporting flashlights and an adventurous spirit.

"We feel it is under used," Jenny Mello, chair of the event, said of the park that includes small trails and a stream, as well as kid-friendly "knick knacks" including a large ringing bell, a hilly slide, small tunnels and a wooden bridge. "Especially when you are five years old, it is the biggest adventure in the world," she said.

The event last Saturday, October 23, lured more than 50 locals outdoors for a relaxing evening by firelight. Seahorse-decorated paper lanterns lit a trail from the entrance to two blazing fires with hay-bale seating. Young children danced to live accordion music and later the small crowd gathered around storyteller Toby Mills to hear ghost tales.

To prepare for the event, Ms. Mello purchased 400 marshmallows – along with graham crackers and chocolate – which attendees roasted on long sticks over the campfires. Children roamed the park climbing on hay piles, enjoying the slide and other kid-friendly obstacles at the front of the property.

Interestingly enough, the moon was full that evening, adding to the night's enchantment. "It really is a silvery

moon soiree," Ms. Mello said.

The event organizer hopes that the event will remind locals that the park is available anytime for exploration and fun. "Come and use it. Have fun! We try to make it as accessible as possible," she said.

Frightful Fiction

Halloween Short Story Contest 2010

Here is the final installment of stories that *The Wanderer* is running as part of its annual Halloween Short Story Contest. A winner – determined by an expert panel that read and evaluated each story – is announced at the end of this installment, so check it out! Also, the identities of all authors we've published this month is disclosed.

Halloween Short Story Contest

Entry: #11 Terror at Tecum Creek Ridge

"We have to leave... now!" Trevor Cavender didn't mean to be so stern with his younger brother, but it was getting dark and they had a two-mile hike ahead of them. Walking into town for trick-or-treating had seemed exciting to the ten-year old, but now he had second thoughts. He couldn't shake the feeling that something was watching him and his brother, Sean.

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Left: The Beverly Yacht Club is kicking off its winter speaker series on November 18, 2010. Ed Baird, American's Cup skipper for Alinghi, is scheduled to speak. Photo courtesy of Ray Cullum.



On the cover: The winner of *The Wanderer's* Annual Halloween Cover Contest created by Geneva Smith of Rochester who won a Nintendo Wii for her efforts. There were sixteen entries all of which can be seen in our photo gallery at www.wanderer.com!

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"Aw, Trevor, don't be a big baby," moaned Sean.
"We haven't even been to the Halloween party."

"You know the plan. Walk to town, do trick-or-treating, then get back home by eight thirty. We'll barely make it in time." Trevor scanned the neighborhood as the nagging feeling returned. He couldn't understand why he felt uneasy; he'd walked the Tecum Creek Ridge Road plenty of times before. Aside from the stray dog or skunk, there was little to be wary of. Sean pretended to slice his brother in half with his light saber, and then grudgingly headed home.

"Light your glowstick before it gets any darker, I don't want to lose you in some ditch," said Trevor. Their mother was raising the boys alone and had given them the glowsticks as extra protection.

"I was saving mine for our cookout this weekend."

"If mom doesn't see you carrying that glowstick, there won't be any cookout." As he watched his brother activate the bright orange rod, frantic barks and whines erupted from the surrounding homes. The hairs on the back of his neck rose in response to the sudden din and even Sean seemed unnerved by the animal's unusual actions.

"Old man Reeves says there's rabies up on the ridge. Maybe those dogs got rabies and are going crazy."

"The only thing crazy is old man Reeves," said Trevor in the calmest voice he could muster. Something

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had set those dogs off and he doubted it was them. He pulled a small flashlight from the waistband of his Spiderman costume, flicked it on, and nudged his brother to quicken his pace.

The barking subsided and Trevor let out a sigh. He let the beam stray along the woods leading towards the top of the ridge. He noticed they were almost halfway up the ridge road when his spine turned to ice. The beam from the flashlight flickered as Trevor's hand trembled. Sean nearly walked into his brother before realizing Trevor was standing stone still. He followed the flickering beam and gasped at the sight. Two burning red eyes stared back at them from the dark. As they watched in shock and terror, the two red orbs turned away,


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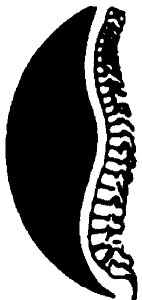


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disappearing into the woods. The sound of branches snapping and heavy brush being disturbed made Sean drop his sack of treats and throw both arms around his brother.

"You OK?" asked Trevor, who finally realized what his brother was doing. He'd seen many different animals illuminated by headlights before, but this was the first time he'd felt such a presence of hatred and anger. The height of the eyes from the ground led him to believe it must be a large animal, perhaps even a bear.

"Let's go back to town, T...Trevor," Sean's voice quivered and broke on the t's.

"We can't. If it sees us headed back for town it'll rush in and stop us." Old Man Reeves had mentioned more than rabies, and Trevor remembered the stories about Reeves hunting bears in his youth.

"What'll we do then, start running?"

"No, that's the worst. We'll never make it home from here, too much open ground. We'll have to try for Mamma Bear."

"The caves, why not Poppa Bear, it's bigger."

"Mamma Bear is deeper and a bear might not be able to follow us.

An unnatural silence draped the countryside as the boys scrambled towards the top of the ridge. Once there, they headed towards the caves. Trevor's heart was a trip-hammer. His breathing was hard and a painful stitch stabbed at his side.

He fearfully switched on the light to locate the caves. It was the worst mistake he could have made, short of breaking into a panicked run.

Whatever they'd seen alongside the woods had indeed been tracking them, and the instant Trevor flicked on the light; it let out a horrid, ear-shattering howl that sent both boys ducking for cover. It lasted for several



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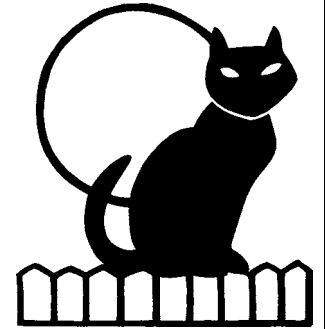
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long seconds then trailed into silence. New sounds of something crashing through heavy brush accompanied by heavy thudding footsteps pushed the boys up the rocky hillside. Trevor silently recited a prayer that they be spared.

"I see Baby Bear!" shouted Sean. He scrambled over the rocky terrain and disappeared into the tiny cave.

"No, Sean! It's too small! We have to find Mamma Bear!" He could hear Sean's frightened whimpers coming from the cave, but he didn't have time to coax him out.

The thudding footsteps were almost upon him and he raced for the next cave. In his frightened state, he covered the thirty feet to Mamma Bear in a few seconds. Glancing back towards the first cave, he could dimly see an immense, looming form.

Sean's whimpers turned to wails of terror as the figure moved closer. Something bright orange flew from the mouth of the cave and the figure lunged upon it. The crackling sound of plastic being chewed turned Trevor's stomach. The glowstick's orange liquid revealed a horrid sight. It illuminated the animal's mouth exposing two rows of monstrous teeth. The glowjuice dribbled down the animal's jaws and onto its massive chest. The beast swiped at it, smearing it across its body.

"That's no bear," thought Trevor, his mind reeling. "It's a Sasquach!" The creature jerked its head and glared at Trevor. The ground ripped and heaved beneath its massive feet as it bolted after him.

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"Run, Trevor!"

The frantic words came from inside the tiny cave and jolted Trevor into action. He darted into Mamma Bear scant seconds ahead of the frenzied beast. He desperately tossed his glow stick, but the Sasquach ignored it and followed him inside.

The cave was pitch black, but Trevor was familiar with Mamma Bear. It was a deep cave, which grew lower and narrower. He silently prayed that he could reach the back before the beast reached him. The sound of heavy breathing echoed throughout the cave, and the rancid stench like Limburger on a hot muffler was unbearable. Trevor took his facemask and tried to block the foul odor



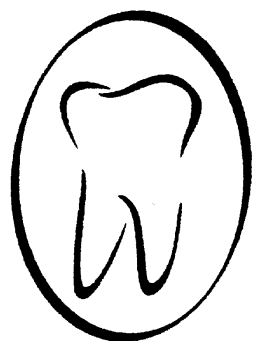
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of the creature to no avail. Time and again, Trevor heard the creature collide with low hanging rocks and each time its anger escalated, ending with a menacing growl. Trevor inched his way deeper into the back of the cave. He closed his eyes and awaited his fate.

The creature's heavy breathing was everywhere. Opening one eye, Trevor saw the glowstick stains as the Sasquach approached. It was having difficulty due to the narrowing walls, but it could still use its arms. Trevor flattened himself against the wall in hopes of eluding its probing hands.

The sounds of fur rubbing against stone caught Trevor's attention. He clamped his mouth shut, but his pounding heart and ragged breathing were uncontrollable. As Trevor stood motionless, something hard with sharp nails raked across his stomach. A dull burning began where the skin had been scraped away.

The cave abruptly lit up as thick, fur-covered fingers flipped on the flashlight. The Sasquach must have gotten Trevor's light when it scratched him. The beam shown directly into the beast's face, revealing wild, red-rimmed eyes, matted fur and a ring of foamy saliva around its mouth. Trevor suddenly realized why the normally elusive beast was acting with such rage. Rabies. Old Man Reeves was right.

The light was quickly tossed aside, and the Sasquach began pounding and clawing at the rock and stone, its diseased mind driving its aberrant behavior.

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Trevor's left leg slipped backwards as the wall of rock began to give away. With the creature's fingers mere inches from his waist, Trevor shoved against the back of the cave and stumbled as a ragged opening appeared. He spun around and began squeezing himself through the hole when a huge fist grasped his right ankle. Knowing he'd never escape, Trevor screamed in panic. The pain increased as the creature pulled him back. Then the fingers relaxed. Trevor jerked free and scrambled through the opening. Anguished moans and grunts followed him. Trevor suspected what was happening and peered inside.

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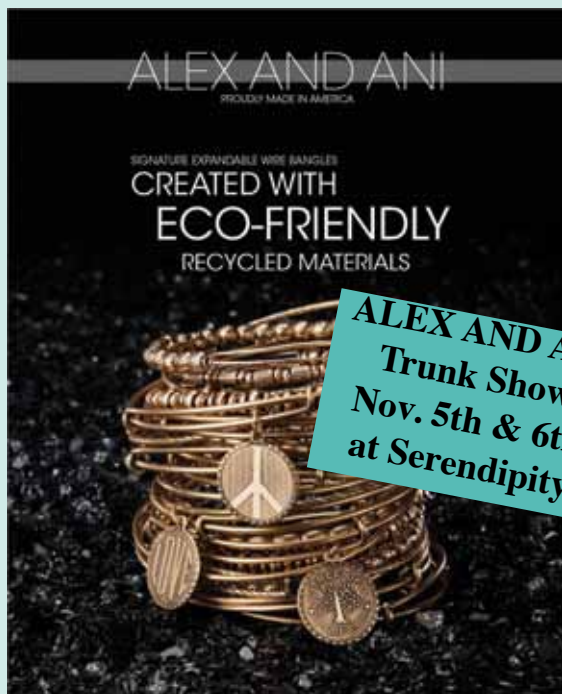
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The pumpkin blinked. It flew behind Molly as if it were inspecting her. Molly felt its warm breath blow on her neck. She shivered. Then it simply said, "Hello." Helen and Molly looked at each other in horror. Was this real? Then the cat said, "Cat got your tongue?" The cat and pumpkin cracked up. "Hi, I'm Helen and this is Molly" Helen said. "We are looking for everyone. Have you seen anybody?" Molly asked. "No, but why don't you follow us, we can lead you to our friend the Pumpkin King," said the cat. "Yes, the Pumpkin King is a wise pumpkin for he has lived for a while." Cat said. Molly and Helen, not knowing what to do, hesitated. But then again, it was not every day you see a talking pumpkin and cat.

They skipped along following the cat and pumpkin. Suddenly, they came to a halt. They were standing in front of a dark cave. "Don't be afraid, just turn on your flashlight," The cat said. Helen and Molly did so. They kept walking through the cave until they saw a huge pumpkin. It was ten times bigger than a normal pumpkin. It had jagged teeth and big narrow eyes. It did not look friendly or welcoming. The Pumpkin King let out an evil laugh. Helen looked terrified. "Hello darlings!" the pumpkin boomed. "U-u-h hello," Molly stuttered.

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"I suppose!" the Pumpkin King said. Then he spit out Helen. "We must save the neighborhood!" Helen whispered into Molly's ear. Molly quickly nodded. "Distract the pumpkin while I go get a carving knife

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"Let's go home," Molly said. Helen dropped her flashlight purposely on the floor and it rolled behind the Pumpkin. "Oh no," Helen said. Molly walked behind the Pumpkin and picked up the flashlight. Helen looked into the mouth of the pumpkin and waved the people to the other side of the pumpkin. Molly pulled out her knife and cut the pumpkin into two. All the people rushed out the cave. Molly gave Helen a high-five. "The pumpkin's dead!" Helen exclaimed. Molly and Helen's parents hugged their children. "Good job!"

"Well I guess we'll be having plenty of pumpkin pie," Molly said.

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routine and kept walking. We decided to turn around when it got darker and colder. We noticed that when we stopped talking we could hear a rustling in the leaves and branches. 'Did you hear that?' said Liz. 'Oh, it's only an animal,' said Tina. At that time, this creature with feet like a dinosaur jumped out with a pipe that appeared to be from a sink and started laughing. It was so piercing to my ears that right away my hands fell upon them and blocked out most of the noise. I noticed my daughter fell to the ground and had no chance of survival and could not escape the piercing sound of laughter. He snatched me within seconds and wandered through the woods to the blue truck and drove somewhere down Mattapoisett road. At that point while I was screaming and yelling, he used the rusty pipe and hit me in the head knocking me out. He must have thought he killed me at that point. I woke up on the side of the road with my ears ringing and the fog still surrounding me. I made it to the police station where they called the ambulance and pulled out giant toenails from my skull."

To this day this man still wanders the Tri-Town area either through the woods or by his blue pickup.

If anyone sees this man, please take caution: call the police, run away, shoot him on sight, or if you get caught in his deadly laughter, kill yourself.

And The Winner Is...

At last, the results are in that determine the winner of this year's edition of *The Wanderer's Halloween Short Story Contest*. The contest was close, but we extend heartfelt Congratulations to Michael Kassabian for his story, "The Clock Tower," which came out on top. Mr. Kassabian is the winner of our prize – a Nintendo Wii!

The authors for the stories in our contest were:
Entry: #1 - "The Clock Tower" by Michael Kassabian

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- Entry #2 - "Parallel to a Fly Buzzing" by Jayme Wood
Entry: #3 - "Bloody Wareham" by Alyssa Perry
Entry #4 - "It" by Pearl Carter
Entry #5 - "Identity Theft" by Melonie Lefter
Entry: #6 - "The Long Walk" by Arissa Underhill
Entry #7: - "The Haunted Doll Found in a Haunted House" by Deianeria Underhill
Entry #8: - "Untitled" by Emily Ziino
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Election Special Report

By Laura Pedulli

If Halloween didn't scare you enough, attack ads against your favorite candidate may seal the deal! Joking aside, election time calls for an informed public familiar with the issues. This year, the ballot is particularly heavy with closely contested races and controversial measures. Town clerks in the Tri-Town area are reporting an increase in absentee ballots, which indicates a strong voter turnout. The number of political signs on lawns also demonstrates that the volume is turned up on the issues and positions at stake this election season.

In this issue, we'll review some of the basics surrounding the ballot questions and candidates up for election.

To kick things off, *The Wanderer* spoke with Peter Winters and incumbent State Representative Bill Straus – both vying to serve as State Representative of the 10th Bristol District – on the issues that drive their candidacies.

Rep. Straus: Work on Budget, Support Schools

Incumbent State Representative Bill Straus – who has been in office since 1992 – has all eyes on the budget as he assesses his priorities during this election season.

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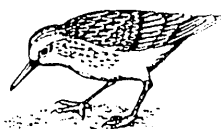
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careful to continue to support the schools – who are top performers in the country – and look for additional economic opportunities that benefit our region," he said. As chairman of the Environment, Agriculture and Natural Resources committee, he says his past, current and future work aim at protecting both the fishing industry and agricultural businesses. "One of the tricky things is that you have to realize what your assets are. If you don't pay attention to where you are having success now, you are falling behind," he added.

Rep. Straus noted that Massachusetts is one of the three top economic states in the country that offers an educated population and beneficial geography. He said that these traits prompted Microsoft to increase their payroll by 2,000 people in the commonwealth over the past three years. As a representative, he said he would work to bring more of such opportunities to this region of the state.

The importance of financial planning is another area Rep. Straus emphasized. "We are feeling the economic consequences of two and a half years ago. Fortunately, we had state money and we were able to cushion the blow," he said. Mr. Straus estimates that the current value of the "rainy day fund" is about \$500 to \$600 million, which was about \$2 billion before the recent recession. He said this kind of planning, which helped keep important programs alive, needs to continue.

Talking about education, Mr. Straus said he

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works hard to ensure adequate funding is available at the state level for schools. He said that the transportation reimbursement account is sometimes more important than Chapter 70 state aid, and noted that the recent increase in these monies approved by the state "was a real victory for school districts like ours."

On the topic of school regionalization, Rep. Straus stressed that "a discussion has to occur locally" on whether school regionalization is a suitable course for the Tri-Town area. "One of the hallmarks of the way I conduct myself is that I don't tell myself what the best idea is - I work with [people]," he said.

Another priority of Rep. Straus is saving the Wareham District Court. The representative said he is

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working with Republican colleagues and the district attorney "to get money to save that courthouse," he said. "The way I see my role as a legislator, is I don't go around looking for people to blame. I'd rather spend time looking for other people to work with," the representative said.

Rep. Straus also commented that he strongly supports repealing 40B, which is on the ballot next week, which allows more flexible permitting rules for affordable housing developers. He said 40B is inherently flawed because the official affordable housing stock in a town does not count some types of units, even if they are affordable, such as cottages. "We need more units of housing, that's true, but it doesn't mean that you discount what the housing market is in an existing town," he said. 40B allows large developments to come to town all at once, straining town's resources in a "disproportionate" way, the representative explained. He said he has worked on drafting legislation to limit the allowable percentage of affordable housing growth each year.

Other issues high on Rep. Straus' agenda include protecting and restoring the Eel Grass Pond, which he received earmarks for five years ago, and providing public water access to water resources.

Peter Winters: Bring Back The Local Economy

Republican Peter Winters believes that people "are ready for change on Beacon Hill," and he is the man to deliver the goods.

"My main focus is on bringing back the local economy. The SouthCoast has really been gored," Mr. Winters said. In particular, he feels that the development boom has been unevenly focused on Boston and the state needs to do more to bring jobs to this region. "The state can create jobs, or an atmosphere where private sector jobs can be created," he said.

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The candidate also said that certain areas should be designated for growth in the interest of "preserving the way of life," in the SouthCoast. More importantly, he feels that by keeping taxes low and opening up more economic opportunities, more people will be able to stay in the area. "There is a brain drain of people leaving the area and state. There is still no growth of jobs. My fear is that my children won't be able to raise their families here because they won't be able to afford it because there are no jobs," he said, noting that "proper infrastructure" must be in place to accommodate job creation.

Mr. Winters also elaborated on some of his ideas surrounding education. Overall, he feels that the secondary education system should train students for "relevant, practical jobs. We should merge the systems – the vocational system and the high school system. There are more applications for vocational schools than slots," he said, describing a high interest in engineering, for example. The current system, Mr. Winters said, creates a "double-bureaucracy." For example, he said two separate superintendents serve the vocational and public high schools. "They are separate entities; they should be together," he said, remarking on the cost savings. Merging the systems would "free up some money and lower taxes," in addition to offering students instruction in a cross-range of practical and traditional studies.

Moreover, he said it is important to keep the good teachers teaching. He also called for more consistency

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between schools for teacher contracts, to keep "everyone on the same schedule and same pay scale." He also said that unions could be allocated better so teachers can easily move within schools within the district. "The same rules should apply for all of the places," he said.

On that topic, he also supported programs in business and finance for students who are not planning to attend college. "They would have more tools in their toolkit to start their own businesses," Mr. Winters said. "More small businesses are great for the local economy, especially an increase in traditional trades people," he said.

Overall, Mr. Winters is enthusiastic about his prospects, noting a strong groundswell of support. "A lot of people are really motivated this year; a lot of people want change. We need change on Beacon Hill. [I will] address the importance of the legislature to change rules that govern businesses and taxes and the whole allocation of resources. That is what I'm trying to stress when I meet voters," he said.

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Local voters, in total, are faced with FIVE (yes, five!) questions this year:

• Question 1: Sales Tax on Alcohol Beverages

– Voter approval would remove the 6.25 percent sales tax on alcohol beverages and alcohol, which is subject to a separate excise tax under state law. Arguments in the favor of the measure contend that the recently added tax is an "unfair double-tax" that hurts small business owners who sell wine, beer, and liquor, especially along state borders. Arguments against the ballot question respond that nearly every state has a sales tax on alcohol in addition to excise taxes, and that the taxes support programs providing 100,000 individuals healthcare services for behavioral health problems.

• Question 2: Comprehensive Permits for



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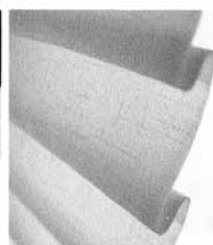
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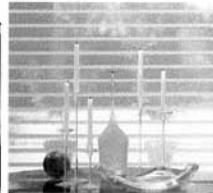
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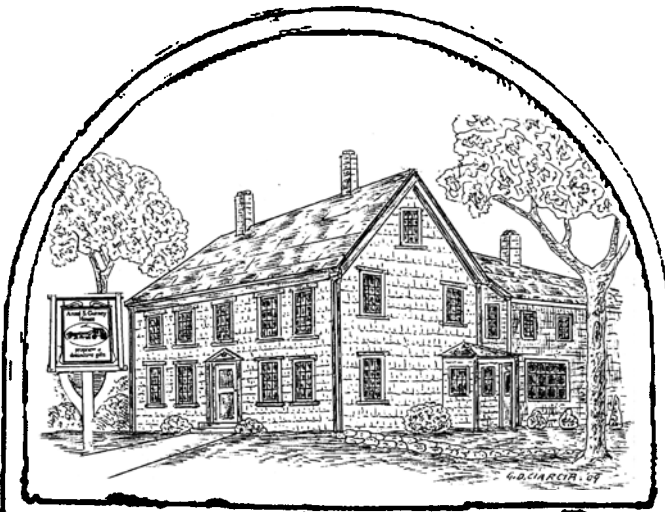
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people of various economic backgrounds throughout the communities of the state. Arguments against the measure contend that 40B is flawed, and allows developments into towns that may strain local resources or not meet town bylaws, such as environmental and zoning requirements.

• Question 3: Sales and Use Tax Rates –

Approval of this measure would reduce state sales tax and use rates from 6.25 percent to 3 percent. The proposed law provides that if the 3 percent rate would not produce enough revenues to satisfy any lawful pledge of sales and use tax revenues, then the rates would instead be reduced to the lowest level allowed by law. This measure essentially was created with the argument that lowering taxes would create jobs, keep consumers in the state instead of elsewhere where taxes are lower, and give "an average of \$688 – every year – to each taxpayer." Those against the measure contend that a lowered sales tax would jeopardize the availability of "\$2.5 billion" in state aid for local government services, including schools, police and fire protection.

• Question 4: Charter Study Commission –

Question 4 asks, "Shall a Charter Study Commission be created to study the present governmental structure of Plymouth County and make findings concerning the form of government and make recommendations thereon?" This question does not appear on the state ballot, but will appear on the Plymouth County ballot.

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Gagne Reports on Possible Aid Cuts

Mattapoissett Board of Selectmen

By Laura Pedulli

A review of possible local aid funding cuts, Eel Pond restoration work, updates on Tinkham Forest



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access points, and authorization requirements for private roadways to receive plowing services topped the agenda for the Mattapoisett Selectmen's Tuesday, October 26 meeting. Also, the Selectmen officially appointed Peter Newton, a geologist and engineer, to fill the empty seat on the Conservation Commission.

In a status update report, Town Administrator Michael Gagne said that he has yet to receive a revised plan from Abbott Construction showing an alternative location for a second trail to Tinkham Forest. He said Beth Kunz and the Bay Club are pushing construction on this and neither has received information on alternative access. He said he is investigating "avenues that we can legally pursue to force compliance with particular terms and conditions." He added: "I think we've been patient, and we need a location and maps."

In other news, Mr. Gagne reported that Mattapoisett is actively seeking an extension for a \$135,000 grant to restore Eel Pond. He said this request will go through the Coalition for Buzzards Bay and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Town officials recently met with the Coalition for Buzzards Bay and engineer Sue Nilson on how to proceed with the restoration project. Overall, work will focus on opening up the inlet on the east side of Eel Pond, which over the summer got closed up and "superheated," leading to the death and decay of organisms and vegetation, Mr. Gagne reported.

An additional grant also is being pursued from the National Soil and Conservation Service. "We've made significant progress ... Hopefully, we'll get an extension," he said.

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Mr. Gagne also discussed the status of approved roadwork on High on a Hill Road at length in an effort to clear up "misunderstandings," he said. The project – which will cost between \$110,000 and \$120,000 – is set to begin on November 8 to ultimately "do all work short of a finished coat," he stated. The road will be completely finished given the availability of \$47,000 in Chapter 90 monies after July 2011.

Residents on private roads who desire snowplowing services must have all paperwork in by November 1, the Selectmen emphasized. Mr. Gagne clarified that even if a resident on a private road received services in the past, release paperwork still is necessary. The majority of residents on a road are required to sign off on the paperwork. Chairman Collyer urged residents to reach out to their neighbors to ensure that the paperwork is submitted by the deadline.

The town will face major budgetary shortfalls if Question 3 on the state ballot is approved (which would reduce state sales tax from 6.5 percent to 3 percent) and federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds are eliminated, according to Mr. Gagne. The town administrator presented a full report regarding how local budgets would be impacted given these cuts.

Overall, Mr. Gagne reported that the passage of Question 3 would result in a loss of \$60,000 in direct local aid and \$20,000 in Chapter 90 monies. Moreover, elimination of the ARRA funds would slice off an additional \$34,000 in local aid and \$11,000 in Chapter 90 road improvement funds, he stated. "We'd lose \$120,000 out of \$712,000, which equates to a one-year cut of 18 percent," he said.

Mr. Gagne also projected that the school district would lose \$163,000 if ARRA is eliminated and \$288,000 if Question 3 passes next week. "This is an 18 percent cut," he said. Likewise, Mr. Gagne's report finds that Old Colony would lose \$650,000 from its \$3.6 budget if Question 3 passes and the federal stimulus money stops

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flowing. He said that looking at the big picture overall, both ORR School District and Old Colony already have lost 21 percent of state aid monies since 2008.

"That's a dramatic sum of money and everyone should be cognizant of that and make decisions accordingly," Mr. Gagne said.

In other news, the Selectmen met with Donna Rosa of NSTAR on two separate hearings – a pole hearing for Crystal Spring Road and a conduit hearing for Water Street. According to Ms. Rosa, the company desired to install a new stub pole to provide anchorage to another pole to protect it from leaning and falling over. Due to inaccuracies in the diagram provided by NSTAR, the Selectmen decided to continue the hearing to November 9. "We want to make sure we are not putting in a pole for the sake of putting in a pole," said Chairman Jordan Collyer. The Selectmen unanimously approved an underground 24-inch conduit just East of Barstow Street on Water Street to service the 16 Water Street property.

A general discussion took place with residents Robert and Donna Marvelle regarding their idea for a Concession Trailer at Techline property on Route 6. Mr. Marvelle said he and his wife would like to sell food items including hamburgers, hotdogs, and sodas from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm at the property from March to October. The couple said that they have approval from the property owner, but Chairman Collyer pointed out the board needs it in writing to proceed.

Selectman George Randall responded that he does not feel such a business is appropriate for Mattapoisett. "A trailer doesn't belong on Route 6. Also, I'm afraid

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you'll be stealing a lot of lunches from local restaurants," he said.

Ms. Marvelle responded that she has no intention of creating a "carnival atmosphere." She said, "I don't plan on putting an eyesore on Route 6. I'd like something nice, too." Mr. Marvelle said that the water system in the trailer, which holds 45 gallons of gray water, is self-contained and that he does not anticipate a need to provide facilities. Selectman Paul Silva recommended looking into installing utilities, which he feels would be needed.

Both Selectman Paul Silva and Chairman Collyer expressed a need for more time to think over the proposal. "There are a lot of issues that need to be thought out," Selectman Silva said, such as traffic. Both Selectmen said

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that they have no problem with the proposed business competing with local restaurants.

Chairman Collyer expressed support for the concept of a concession trailer. "I have a more difficult time driving by a vacant building with overgrown weeds in a parking lot.... I'm a fan of roadside cuisine." He suggested that the business offer something "beyond hamburgers and hotdogs." The board agreed to give Mr. and Ms. Marvelle additional time to provide more detail about their proposed business.

In action items, the Selectmen:

- Approved the Selectmen meeting minutes for September 28 and October 13 and the executive minutes for September 28.

- Approved a one-day all alcohol special liquor license to Wayne Walega and the New Bedford Chamber of Commerce for November 10 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm to be held in the common area inside the building of the ropewalk

- Appointed Susan Wilbur of 90 Mattapoisett Neck Road as a member of the Aquaculture Ad Hoc Study Committee

- Approved an Internet Class-2 one-car dealer license for Donald Bliss of 46C Crystal Spring Road.

The board also reminded Mattapoisett residents of several upcoming events, including the town's Police Halloween Parade on October 31 at 6:00 pm at Center School and the annual Veteran's Day Exercises at 11:00 am on November 11 at the Old Hammondtown School. Also, it was reported that the Water Department will begin water main flushing from October 25 through November

30. Locations to be affected are those south of Route 6 extending from Main Street east to Aucoot Road and including Crescent Beach, Point Connett, Hollywood's and Pease Point.

In other news, the town received notification from Comcast's "Xfinity" that programming changes will occur in the town. Program schedule changes are available at the town hall.

The Selectmen adjourned the meeting for the purpose of discussion regarding ongoing collective bargaining negotiations.

Pine Island Subdivision Hearing Continued

Mattapoisett Conservation Commission

By Laura Pedulli

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission tackled a full agenda to an overflowing conference room at the Town Hall on Monday, October 25. The meeting – which lasted four and a half hours – examined several Notice of Intents (NOIs) for construction of new homes and new plans by the Mattapoisett Water and Sewer Department to install sewer in the Mattapoisett Neck Road Area.

Throughout the meeting, Chairman Tyler MaCaliser plugged the announcement that the commission will begin public hearings early next year to discuss the possibility of stronger bylaws to protect wetlands and other natural resources. Bylaws at the special town meeting on October 12 were tabled in an effort to disseminate more information about their ramifications to the public.



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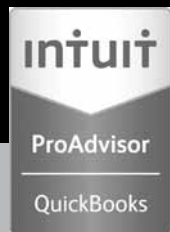
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At the meeting, ConCom members met with Peter Newton, an engineer for 16 years, and formally supported his effort to join the Commission. He described himself as a geologist familiar with the Wetlands Protection Act. "I'd like the opportunity to be the voice of reason and join the town and participate," he said. The commission will send a letter to the Board of Selectmen requesting his appointment to the commission.

A number of proposed projects for new homes or construction were included on the agenda.

Proposed work for a subdivision project on Pine Island Road attracted abutters concerned about runoff on their properties. David Davignon of Schneider and Associates and Mark Manganello of LEC Environmental Consultants represented Greta Fox, who requested that the commission approve fill, grade and the building of a 16-foot road for a subdivision at 2 Pine Island Road.

The issue of whether the lot's bordering land is subject to flooding dominated the discourse. Both Mr. Manganello and Mr. Davignon stressed that an outside environmental consultant and peer review study determined that the proposed construction would not increase the volume of runoff. Further, they said that FEMA does not determine the area to be within the 100-year flood zone. "There is no evidence to support that FEMA's map is inaccurate," Mr. Manganello said, adding that opponents of the construction have yet to prove with engineering that the new site would create runoff problems.

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Commission member Carmelo Nicolosi weighed in that the scope of the project will inevitably lead to more run off. "There is ultimately more volume created by the site," he said.

Mr. Davignon disagreed. "I'm relying on a professional engineer who generated a report one-inch thick." He added that the proposed work includes "enormous" drywells that assist with draining. "I don't think the proposal is out of line with those in front of the commission."

Bill Madden of GAF Engineering – representing the abutters – expressed strong concern with the project, in particular the amount of fill generated from the road construction. "I'm doubtful things are going to work nicely within the footprint," he said. He added that overall he feels that the applicant has inadequately addressed the bordering land subject to flooding issue and that not enough alternative analyses are presented. Also, he felt the applicant's administrator's fee is incorrect. Chairman MaCallister responded that he agrees with the applicant that no other proposals would be less environmentally harmful.

"I don't think we are simply going through an exercise of rebutting everything proposed here," Mr. Madden said.

Applicant Greta Fox then spoke. She said she has spent a lot of money on drainage studies and engineering to address runoff concerns by neighbors. "I think mud is being thrown against the wall, and we are paying and

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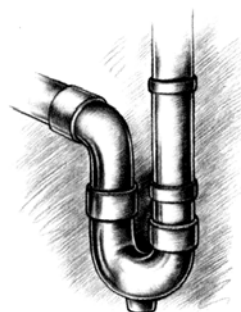


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paying to scrape it off," she said. Ms. Fox added that she feels she has done her due diligence to address drainage issues. "What else more can we do for a two-lot development?"

In later discussion, Chair McCallister expressed concern about the proposed gravel road becoming pervious over time, which would introduce materials into the wetlands. Mr. Davignon responded that paving the road is not an option as it would increase the percentage of impervious surfaces on the lot and thus not handle the runoff. "We're in a corner, there is no room to increase the threshold," he said.

The lengthy discussion led to no final action on the proposal and a move to continue the hearing to November 8. The commission led by Mr. Madden can file a formal rebuttal to the fee issue.

Another hearing that attracted abutter input was a request by Mr. Lawrence to build a 32-foot by 44-foot single-family home on Shawmut Road at Antasawamock. The Zoning Board of Appeals had denied the project on October 21. The board discussed with the applicant the possibility of doing a smaller house, but ultimately the motion did not carry to approve construction of the new home. "This would open up Pandora's box to substandard lots... I can't put a house on the bordering vegetative wetlands," commission member Jim O'Dowd said.

The commission also continued a hearing until

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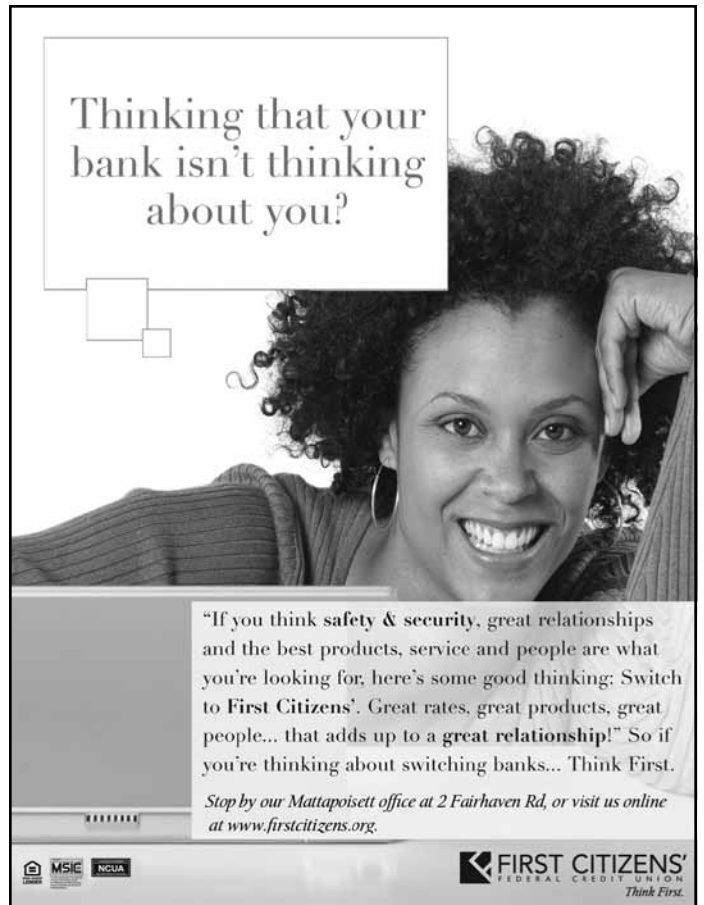
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November 8 regarding an NOI to reconstruct existing retention areas for applicant Michael Solimando at Ap-paloosa Lane. The issue arose about whether the lots are situated on wetlands. Conservation Agent Rene Drouin strongly asserted the presence of wetlands, but the ap-plicant disagreed, which led to the need to continue the hearing to examine the issue further.

In other hearings, the commission approved:

- A NOI that sought an addition and deck for a residence at 4 Pico Beach Road
- A NOI for a single-family home at Pico Beach Road, with the conditions on the adding and removing silt fences
- A NOI to construct a deck, porch, and in-



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The commission also heard a NOI request from the Mattapoissett Board of Water and Sewer Commission, which is proposing to construct a new sewer collection system and associated pump station, new and replacement mains, and upgrades to an existing pump station. No action took place, although the commission discussed in detail construction that would offer service to up to 236 lots on Mattapoissett Neck Road. Some concern arose about the fresh water used from the aquifer for the new sewer and how that would impact water quality for well users.

The commission adjourned at 11:04 pm

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Newport, RI Prom Venue Chosen for 2011

ORR District Joint School Committee

By Joan Hartnett-Barry

The Old Rochester Regional (ORR) High School senior prom will be held at the OceanCliff Hotel, 65 Ridge Road in Newport, RI in the spring of 2011.

The ORR School Committee approved the prom venue prior to the Joint School Committee meeting of the Old Rochester Regional District, which was held at 6:30 on October 21 in the ORR Superintendent's Conference Room. In attendance were 18 individuals, representing the School Committees of Marion, Mattapoissett and Rochester and the ORR junior and senior high schools and members of the MA School Superintendency Union #55.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Chairperson Sharon Hartley, who said she recalled the meeting held one year prior, when the committee was in the throes of choosing a new Superintendent of Schools. Ms. Hartley said that it "was great to be here, a year later," seeing that the choice of Doug White was an excellent one.

Her Chairperson's report noted the Rochester Memorial School addition is ahead of schedule and will welcome students this December. The Superintendent's Report followed, with Mr. White preceding the report by thanking the group for their support in his joining the ORR District. Mr. White also said that, a year ago, he was

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pleased to join the district, as superintendent.

John Ashley, Technology Coordinator, then delivered a PowerPoint presentation of the proposed new Web Site for the district. "We're looking for the future site to be a hub for the community and employees," said Mr. Ashley. In the near future, school committee agendas for the three towns, meeting minutes, and daily information will be posted and linked on the site.

A discussion regarding business cards for school committee members followed, with a vote which determined that if a member wants to have a business card, it would have to be approved by the district for content, and be paid for by the committee member. An option for printing by the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical School was offered.

Next up was the 2012 budget timeline, which will be planned at scheduled meetings.

The Regionalization Committee representatives said that there was a \$10,000 grant awarded to help in realizing the ramifications of a full regionalization of the three towns. The committee said that they decided not to hire someone to help make the decision to regionalize, but instead, use the funds available to implement the plan, if one is decided upon.

The Race To The Top (RTTT) initiative was discussed, with Mattapoisett and Rochester commenting upon the grants. Mattapoisett will receive around \$7,800 and Rochester around \$7,000. Mr. White commented that

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there were additional advantages to the grants, including access to technology that would involve combining databases which would in turn help view Tri-Town data on a more combined basis. Marion School Committee member Brad Gordon said that he was disappointed that Marion did not join in on the RTTT initiative and asked if there was a way for Marion to utilize the database merging technology to include Marion. Christine Winters, also on the Marion School Committee, agreed with Mr. Gordon. The RTTT's goal is an effort to have teachers work together in meeting the common core educational standards set by the state of Massachusetts.

The minutes of the prior meeting were accepted with a change under Regionalization, noting that Dr. Russell was involved in a "discussion or process of regionalization" rather than being "involved" in an actual regionalization. The change in minutes was approved.

School Business Administrator Katherine Isernio said that Debra Brown CPA, will join the district as an assistant business manager on November 1. Also, Superintendent White said that Elise Frangos, the new Director of Curriculum, will begin her duties on November 1. It was also noted that Dr. Mike Pellegrino will join the ORR School Committee.

An MCAS presentation by Superintendent White, showing the various data by type of question, individual schools in the district, grade level, and comparison with other districts with similar populations/income/education backgrounds, called "cohort groups" followed. It was noted that in grade 3, questions were multiple choice or similar, while in grade 4, questions were open ended, requiring more written responses. A view of grade 3 versus grade 4, showed the change in effort and understanding required in the interpretation of the MCAS scores.

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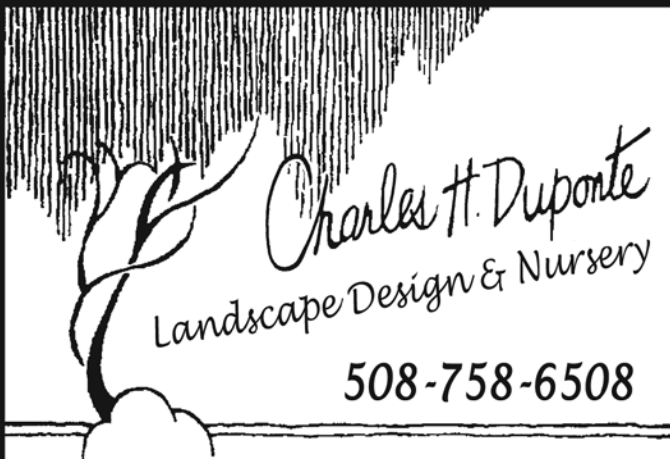


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The complex data raised several questions, but the overall feeling was that the district is doing well and needs to continue to build on its strengths. Mr. White said that the addition of the new Director of Curriculum, Ms. Frangos, who has twenty years of English language arts teaching experience, will assist in the district goals of improving overall MCAS scores.

Under New Business, the committee discussed three items: School Choice, Sports Policy, and Bullying Policy. School Choice, which was being presented to the committee for a first reading, was discussed at length and it was agreed that the wording of the admission process would be worked out and discussed at the next meeting. The Sports Policy was approved, which included the qualifications needed to introduce a new sport into the district. The Bullying Policy – the document outlining what constitutes bullying – was discussed and approved by the committee.

Without further business to come before the board, they adjourned at 8:31 pm.

School Report
ORR Community Open House
By Anne Smith

The past few weeks were fairly busy at Old Rochester Regional High School, as there were informational sessions for students and concerts taking place on several different nights. The hectic schedule

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continues through this week, culminating in the Second Annual ORR Community Open House, to be held Thursday, October 28. Here's the rundown of the major school events.

Last Thursday, students who were interested in a community service project in a foreign country were invited to an informational meeting that was held in the high school library. The local AFS chapter leader, ORR High School nurse Kim Corrazini, led the information session. This community service project will take place this summer and will be in Panama. As the Spanish teachers have been telling their students over the past week, the opportunity is an excellent way for students taking Spanish classes to practice their language skills.

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On Wednesday, October 27, there was an informational session at Wamsutta Club for juniors and

seniors who might be applying to Harvard later in the year. Parents also were invited to attend the session. In order to get more information about the event, such as the time, location, and how to sign up, students had to go visit the guidance office.

For the past two and a half weeks, the band and chorus has been selling Halloween candy grams as a fundraiser. Candy grams always have been used to raise funds at Old Rochester Regional, but this is the first time that the fundraiser has taken place so early in the year. Usually the candy grams had been closer to Valentine's Day. Each candy gram costs a dollar. After payment and filling out the tag with the recipient's name and homeroom, the candy will be delivered at a later date. Students can write messages to recipients on the tags as well. The homeroom teachers receive the candy grams on the morning of distribution and give them to the recipients. Sale of the Halloween candy grams ends this Thursday, October 28.

Students have been working extensively in preparation for this Thursday's Community Open House. This is only the second time the event has taken place, but already there will be some new additions to the night. First, senior citizens will be invited to attend a pasta dinner from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. The event proper begins at 6:00 pm and concludes at 9:00 pm. During the Community Open house, students, prospective students, parents, and community members will be allowed to tour



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the gymnasium, where different clubs and activities have set up booths, as well as go on school tours, watch the dance team and cheerleaders perform in the auditorium, and visit select classrooms for demonstrations. Another addition to the Community Open House this year is the first annual Old Rochester Regional Haunted House. Volunteers have stayed after school on this past Tuesday to paint the settings, and some students have lent decorations for the night.

If you happen to be free on Thursday, October 28, you should stop by the high school to see what's going on, as well as get into the Halloween spirit by getting spooked in the Haunted House – or shall we say Haunted School?

Sports Shorts

By: Benjamin Resendes

Old Rochester Boys Soccer – Last week there was a game against Dighton Rehoboth at Old Rochester Regional's home field. The boys' team unfortunately lost. No one on the Old Rochester side scored and they lost 0-2. **Captain Tyler Belliveau** was quoted saying this about the team: "We've worked ourselves into a situation where if we win we will continue to play this season. Unfortunately if we lose or tie it's all over for us. It's almost as if the playoffs have come early."

They are all hoping for the best for the team as they play Fairhaven on Monday, October 25. Old

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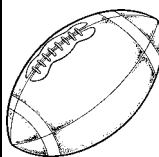
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Rochester has beaten them before so they are hoping for another win. Scores will be posted in the next issue.

Old Rochester Football – ORR emerged victorious in an away game against Fairhaven last week. They won with an amazing score of 27-8. In the first half of the game, they shut down Fairhaven with a score of 20-0. In the second half, Fairhaven was able to gain eight points, but it did little to help. Old Rochester scored another touchdown, which brought them to their total score. **Ian Knapton** scored three Old Rochester touchdowns and **DJ MacDonald** scored one. They both ran for the entirety of the game. In the game, both **Max Risch** and **Greg Kornichuk** had interceptions. On October 29, Old Rochester will play Wareham, their blood rivals. They hope many people will show up to support them on their home field.

Old Rochester Girls Soccer – In the last week the girls' soccer team played two games, in which they tied both. The first was against Seekonk on Wednesday, October 20. They tied with a score of 2-2, and **Gabby Kondracki** scored both goals. One of the assists was by **Theresa Morss**. In the second game on Friday, they traveled to Dighton Rehoboth. In that game they tied 1-1. For Old Rochester, **Katlyn Cummings** scored. The upcoming game against Fairhaven will have posted stats in the next installment of Sports Shorts.

Old Rochester Girls Volleyball – The Girls Volleyball team played Seekonk last week in a home

game. They won with a score of 3-0. Players **Shanice DaSylva** and **Olivia Offringa** played well. As usual many fans showed up to support their home team. They do hope many will show up for the away game at Apponequet next week to help cheer the team to victory.

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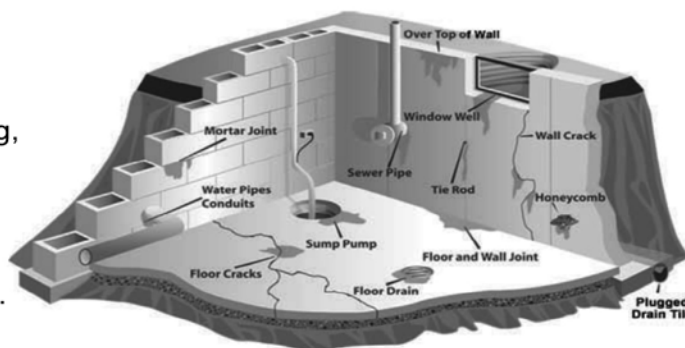
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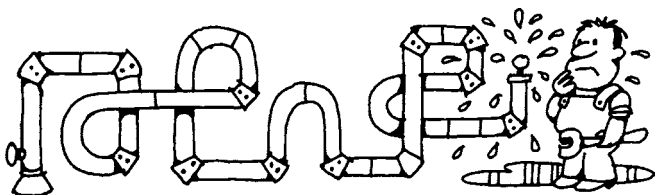
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Veteran's Day Dinner Dance

The Fairhaven Improvement Association is sponsoring a Veteran's Day Dinner dance in memory of Richard Nerbonne on Saturday, **November 13**, "to honor our Veterans and to remember those who have recently passed." The event will be held at the Fairhaven Town Hall. Catering is provided by Jevon Malcolm with a menu including choice of soup or salad, choices of Yankee Pot Roast, Seafood Newburg, and Roast Pork, as well as dessert and coffee.

Dance to the sounds of Louis Paiva and the Nu-Sounds. Tickets cost \$20 per person and are limited. They may be purchased at the Town Hall Veteran's Agent office or by contacting Jim Leal at 508-993-1064, Tony Lopes at 508-993-7878 or Linda Meredith at 508-994-8751. Handicapped access is available.

Sippican Choral Society

The Sippican Choral Society will present its 46th annual Christmas Concert on Friday, **December 3** and Sunday, **December 5**. The December 3 event will take

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Rochester Residents Flu Clinic

The Rochester Board of Health is sponsoring a Flu Clinic on Tuesday, **November 9**, from 3:00 to 7:00 pm. The clinic will be held at the Rochester Council on Aging building located at 66 Dexter Lane, Rochester.

Flu vaccine is available for all Rochester residents. Please bring your insurance cards with you. The Council on Aging will provide transportation for seniors who are in need of transportation. Please remember to wear short sleeves. A suggested donation of \$5 is encouraged for all who are not covered by insurance. This donation helps toward the cost of clinic supplies and administration.

Home visits for homebound residents may be scheduled by appointment. Please call the Rochester Board of Health at 508-763-5421 to schedule a home visit.

Marion Flu Clinics

The Marion Board of Health is pleased to announce that they will be sponsoring flu clinics on **November 3** and **November 13**.

The first flu clinic will be held on Wednesday, **November 3**, from 4:00 to 7:00 pm at Sippican School, 16 Spring Street. Parking available at rear of school in Park Street lot. Please do not park in the traffic circle. Enter school via bus loop entrance on Park Street.

Additionally, a second flu clinic will be held on Saturday, **November 13**, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at Tabor Academy Gymnasium, 66 Spring Street. Parking available on Spring Street or in lot on Front Street.

Home visits for homebound residents may be scheduled by appointment. Please call the Marion Board of Health at 508-748-3530 to schedule a home visit. Please note: A \$5 suggested donation will be encouraged for all residents not covered by insurance. Please wear a short-sleeved shirt to the clinic and remember to bring your insurance card. Residents of all ages are encouraged to attend!

Free Transportation for Marion Voters

Members of the Marion Republican Town Committee will provide free transportation to any Marion voter/s who need a ride to the polling station on election day: Tuesday, **November 2**. To schedule a pickup, call Matt Nowick at 508-748-3303. If there are any questions or comments about the above notice, please give me a call as soon as possible. Thank you.

Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner

The Mattapoissett Lions Club is sponsoring a spaghetti dinner Karaoke night at the KYC Hall on Route 6, Mattapoissett on Saturday, **November 6**, from 5:30 to 9:00 pm.

Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm, followed by Karaoke.

The menu is spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, Italian bread, Italian cookies and coffee. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for children 10 and under, and \$25 for a family. Tickets are available at Seaport Coffee Shop, the Council on Aging office, or by calling Bill Calusine at 508-758-3578

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Mattapoisett Community Preservation Act

The Mattapoisett Community Preservation Act will be accepting project applications for possible inclusion at the Spring 2011 Town Meeting until **October 31**. Applications can be found on the town hall web site, www.Mattapoisett.net, or at The Selectmen's Office at Town Hall.

If you have any questions, feel free to call the chairman, John DeCosta at 508-415-1282.

Nasketucket Bird Club

On Thursday, **October 28**, 7:00 pm join Alicia Crabbe of Rochester, member of Nasketucket Bird Club, as she discusses her recent volunteer work with state and federal biologists as they monitor roseate and common tern populations on our local islands, Bird Island of Marion and Ram Island of Mattapoisett. She will have a power point presentation of the birds, the project, the scientists and what it is like to share small islands with thousands of protective parents. Also, she will recount a special day with very special birds on the beautiful, off-limits island of Penikese. Nasketucket Bird Club meetings are held at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library,

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Bob Lopes (right), his son Steve Lopes (left), and Warren Ide of New Bedford stand beside the original Americal Legion Post 1 in Paris. The post was organized after the First World War.

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Mattapoissett Flu Clinic

The Mattapoissett community flu clinic will take place at the Mattapoissett Social and Wellness Center at Center School on Friday, **October 29** from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Please wear a sleeveless or short-sleeved top. A \$5 donation is encouraged for residents not covered by insurance. Transportation to the clinic may be scheduled through the Mattapoissett COA at 508-758-4110. Home visits for homebound residents with limited mobility may be scheduled through the Public Health Nursing Office. Please call 508-758-4118.

Mattapoissett Town Clerk News

- **State Election** – The Massachusetts State Election is scheduled for Tuesday, **November 2**. The polls are located at Old Hammondtown School and are open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. Absentee ballots will be available shortly for anyone who is unable to cast their vote in person on election day. Please call the office at 508-758-4103 ext. 2 if you have any questions or concerns.

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Obituaries

Frederick Pring See 83 of Marion, MA died peacefully at home October 19, 2010. Beloved husband of Rosemary L. See for 60 years. Father of Caroline S. Sheehan (Joe Sheehan) Frederica See and Peter V. See (Mary Potter). Grandfather of J. Coleman Sheehan, Peter S. Sheehan, Nina P. See and Malcolm T. See. Besides his family, Fred held a special place in his heart for his family's dogs Rosie, Annabelle, Lily and Phoebe.

Fred attended Holderness School and Dartmouth College. He graduated from Bentley's School of Business after his military service. Fred retired as a stock broker from H. C. Wainright in 1991. He loved golfing, boating and skiing. He worked diligently for the Kittansett Club. He served on the board of governors for 26 years, 9 as club treasurer. He served proudly in the Army from 1945 through 1946. A man of strong convictions, Fred goes in peace.

Arrangements were by the Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, Wareham, MA. Donations are greatly appreciated to: Holderness School, Development Office Chapel Lane Box 1879 Plymouth, N.H. 03264 or Community Nurse and Hospice Care, P.O. Box 757, Fairhaven, MA 02719.

Margaret Rochette: Scriptures tell us "life is a journey." The journey of Margaret Rochette began on March 9, 1918. She was born Margaret Dorothy Grant in Boston, Massachusetts, a twin whose brother died at birth. She was to become the oldest child of Edward and Margaret May Grant and older sister of Helen Stanek, Virginia Buckley, Katherine Myshrall, and Robert Grant. Margaret was called Dolly by her family and while she baby sat for a family summering in Mattapoisett she met and eventually married Manuel Rocha. Together they raised their family first in Mattapoisett and later settling in East Bridgewater. In East Bridgewater, Dolly and "Mac" enjoyed being den leaders when their sons were in Boy Scouts and Dolly was a 4H sewing leader for her daughters.

She was a fabulous cook, pies being a specialty and many people went to Ridder's Farm Stand in the 1960s especially for Dolly's pies. After her first husband Mac died in 1962, Dolly married Joseph E. Rochette, a neighbor, friend, and recent widower. Together they retired to Mattapoisett to live in 1972. Here Dolly continued her hobbies of gardening, sewing, cooking, and reading.

She was a devoted grandmother, mother, and wife, but found the time to help her community. Helping others was something she thought very important and she found the time through the Mattapoisett Congregational Church Women's Club and the Guild, and F.I.S.H. Her special kind nature and infinite wisdom enriched the lives of those closest to her whom she leaves behind.

Mourning her death and forever celebrating her life are her children and their spouses, Daniel Rocha and his wife Kathleen, Bruce Rocha and his wife Bette-Jean, James Rocha and his wife Susan, Katherine Rochette Hoshi and her

husband Takao, and Margaret Rocha Rubin and her husband Andrew. Her twelve grandchildren were privileged to have learned many life lessons from their "Grammy." She was blessed as well with six great-grandchildren too young to appreciate their loss. All who knew her will not soon forget her loving ways.

Life is a journey and death its destination. That long journey ended for Margaret on October 21, 2010. In lieu of flowers, Margaret would have liked a donation given to the Thornton W. Burgess Society, 6 Discovery Hill Road, East Sandwich, MA 02537, as making jelly and sharing it was something she enjoyed a great deal, or to the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, P.O. Box 284, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, where she and Joe were once deacons, or in her memory do something kind for someone else.

Arrangements were by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Mattapoisett. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Harold J. Gracia Sr., 79, died peacefully, October 20, 2010 at St. Anne's Hospital, Fall River. Born August 30, 1931 in Dighton, he was a son of the late Manuel S. (Mike) and Lena (Rogers) Gracia Jr. He graduated from Dighton High, class of 1950.

He had been a resident of Dighton for most of his life where he served his community in the departments of police, fire, and civil defense. He was a communicant of St. Peter's Church where he volunteered much of his time in their hall and St. Vincent de Paul. He was a recipient of the Marian Medal for his church service. He served his country in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He was a VFW life member, and the Commander and Parade Marshall of Dighton's Memorial Day parade for over 30 years. He was employed at Reed and Barton then became a postal carrier. Later he became an inspector for the Registry of Motor Vehicles where he retired after 20 years. He was one of the original members of the Governor's Auto Theft Strike Force.

In 1972, Harold was honored for rescuing two women from a burning building. Farming was a big part of Harold's life from working on the family farms in Berkley and Dighton when he was young to his own gardens when he was older. Harold treasured time with his family. He enjoyed watching the Red Sox and Patriots, bowling and traveling with his wife Jean. He is survived by his wife, Jean (Bag-nall) Gracia; his three children, Deborah Araujo and husband Thomas, Harold J. Gracia Jr., and Brenda Roose and husband Stephen; five grandchildren, Katelyn Araujo, Krista Gracia, Dominic Gracia, Allison Roose, and Jason Roose; a brother Frederick W. Gracia and wife Loretta. He was very proud of his children and grandchildren's accomplishments.

Arrangements were by the Silva Funeral Home, 80 Broadway, Taunton. In lieu of flowers a scholarship fund has been set up in memory of Harold to Bristol County Agricul-

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• **Mooring Inspections** – If your mooring number is between 500 and 912 you should be receiving a mooring inspection letter this week. Mooring inspections are done on a three-year cycle. The mooring inspection must be on file in the Town Clerk's office before payment will be accepted for the 2011 season.

2011 Rochester Country Fair Fundraiser

The Rochester Country Fair will be Celebrating "1960-Something" as the Theme for next year's 12th Annual Fair!

To celebrate this theme, the Fair Committee will host a 1960's Theme Dance Fundraiser with The Relics on Saturday, **November 13**, at 8:00 pm at the Ponderosa, located on the Acushnet/Rochester Line on Route 105.

Partygoers are encouraged to dress in groovy '60's attire or perhaps wear clothes representing some of their favorite actors or famous music legends of the time.

Limited Tickets are available for \$10 each and must be purchased in advance at Bev-Loves-Books or The Ponderosa. The evening will also host raffles, but mostly

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Angelina (Bartlett) Lopes, 100, of Fairhaven, died Sunday, October 24, 2010, at St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford after a period of declining health. She was the wife of the late John F. Lopes. Born in Fairhaven, the daughter of the late Manuel and the late Anna (Caton) Bartlett, she was a lifelong resident of the town and a communicant of St. Joseph's Church.

Mrs. Lopes had worked as a packer at the Peirpoint many years ago. She enjoyed life, especially the times shared with her grandchildren and family.

She is survived by her daughter, Joan M. Barcellos and her husband Frank, Jr., and a daughter-in-law, Frances M. Lopes, all of Fairhaven; three grandchildren, Jeffrey J. Barcellos and his wife Kari and Jennifer L. Normandin and her husband Jerry, all of Fairhaven, and Anne M. Carreiro and her husband Jeffrey of Mattapoisett. She was also blessed

with four great-grandchildren, Amanda and Colby Carreiro of Mattapoisett and Ella and Mia Normandin of Fairhaven; and many nieces and nephews. Mrs. Lopes was the mother of the late John F. Lopes, Jr., Joseph Lopes and David Lopes. She was also the sister of the late Arthur, John, Edmund, William, Frank and Clarence Bartlett, and her beloved sister, Rose Silveria.

Her funeral will be held Thursday, October 28, 2010, at 9:00 AM from the Fairhaven Funeral Home, 117 Main Street, Fairhaven, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 AM in St. Joseph's Church in Fairhaven, with interment to follow in St. John Cemetery, New Bedford. To light a candle, sign the memorial register, or obtain directions, please log on to www.hathawayfunerals.com, or telephone 508/994-9471.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Community Nurse and Hospice Care, 62 Center St., Fairhaven, MA 02719.

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Sunday Oct. 31, 2010

6:30 AM - Words of Peace
7:00 AM - Second Coming Church
8:00 AM - New Testament Church of Cedarville
9:00 AM - Music and the Spoken Word
9:30 AM - The First Congregational Church of Rochester
11:00 AM - Physician Focus
11:30 AM - White House Chronicle
Noon - Free Minds TV
12:30 PM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show
1:00 PM - Community Nurse and Hospice's - House Calls
2:00 PM - Music and the Spoken Word
2:30 PM - The First Congregational Church of Rochester
4:00 PM - New Testament Church of Cedarville
5:00 PM - Words of Peace
5:30 PM - Veterans Helping Veterans
6:00 PM - White House Chronicle
6:30 PM - Army Newswatch
7:00 PM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show
8:00 PM - The Sippican Historical Society Presents
9:30 PM - The Immune System
Midnight - Midnight Movie

Monday Nov. 1, 2010

8:00 AM - Growing Old is Not for Sissies
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM - ORCTV Community Announcements
11:00 AM - Senior Stretch
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon - Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch
3:00 PM - Words of Peace
3:30 PM - Expedition New England
4:00 PM - Earth Focus
4:30 PM - Explore
5:00 PM - Reeling - The Movie Review Show
5:30 PM - Around BCC
6:00 PM - Become Your Own Gym
7:00 PM - Growing Old is Not for Sissies

8:00 PM - Sharing Miracles
8:30 PM - Physician's Focus
10:00 PM - Smart Boating
10:30 PM - Life Matters
11:00 PM - Get Connected with Conn Jackson
11:30 PM - Animal House
Midnight - Midnight Movie

Tuesday Nov. 2, 2010

8:00 AM - Go Fish with Dan Kenny
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM - Graceland Aging
9:30 AM - ORCTV's Non Profit Highlights
10:30 AM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show
11:00 AM - Senior Stretch
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon - Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch
3:00 PM - The Immune System
3:00 PM - Take it to the Auction
6:00 PM - Second Act
6:30 PM - The Dr. Is In
7:00 PM - Senior Scene
7:30 PM - ORCTV's Nonprofit Highlights
8:00 PM - ORCTV Community Announcements
10:00 PM - Community Nurse and Hospice's - House Calls
Midnight - Midnight Mausoleum

Wednesday Nov. 3, 2010

8:00 AM - Homefront
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM - Gardening Rhythms
9:30 AM - The Dr. Is In
10:00 AM - Appetite For Entertaining
10:30 AM - Living Healthy - with Jackie Bell
11:00 AM - Senior Stretch
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon - Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch
4:00 PM - Midweek Politics with David Pakman
5:00 PM - Smart Boating
5:30 PM - Go Fish with Dan Kenny
6:00 PM - Become Your Own Gym

7:00 PM - White House Chronicle
7:30 PM - Fox Robbins Business Show
8:00 PM - Midweek Politics with David Pakman
10:00 PM - Future Talk
10:30 PM - Life Matters
11:00 PM - 30 Odd Minutes
Midnight - Midnight Movie
1:30 AM - Sci-Fi Journal

Thursday Nov. 4, 2010

8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show
10:30 AM - Kids a Cookin'
11:00 AM - Senior Stretch
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon - Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch
3:00 PM - Community Nurse and Hospice's - House Calls
5:00 PM - Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy
6:30 PM - Inside ORCTV
7:00 PM - Reeling - The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM - The Cooking Hour
8:30 PM - Music
9:00 PM - Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
11:00 PM - Music
Midnight - Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
2:00 AM - Midnight Mausoleum

Friday Nov. 5, 2010

8:00 AM - ORCTV Non-Profit Highlights
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM - Gardening Rhythms
9:30 AM - Fox Robbins Business Show
10:00 AM - Appetite For Entertaining
10:30 AM - Living Healthy - with Jackie Bell
11:00 AM - Senior Stretch
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon - Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
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7:00 PM - Fox Robbins Business Show
7:30 PM - Living Healthy - with Jackie Bell
8:00 PM - New England Outdoor Life
9:00 PM - Veterans Helping Veterans
10:00 PM - Community Nurse and Hospice's - House Calls
11:00 PM - 30 Odd Minutes
11:30 PM - The Steve Katsos Show
Midnight - Friday Night at the Drive-In - Midnight Movies

Saturday Nov. 6, 2009

8:00 AM - Classic Cartoon Festival
10:30 AM - NASA 360
11:00 AM - Expedition New England
11:30 AM - Kids a Cookin'
Noon - Inside ORCTV
12:30 PM - ORCTV Non-Profit Highlights
1:00 PM - Go Fish with Dan Kenney
2:30 PM - 30 Odd Minutes
3:00 PM - Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy
4:00 PM - U-Mass Dartmouth Football
6:30 PM - Upper Cape Tech Careers
7:00 PM - Reeling - The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM - The Cooking Hour
8:30 PM - Music
9:00 PM - Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
11:00 PM - Music
Midnight - Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
2:00 AM - The Dungeon of Dreck

MARION GOVERNMENT

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Daily Schedule

8:00 AM - Latest Marion School Committee Meeting
10:00 AM - Plymouth County Advisory Board
11:00 AM - Latest Planning Board Meeting
Noon - Town Meeting and You
1:00 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
3:00 PM - Latest Tri-Town Board of Selectmen Meeting
4:00 PM - Latest Marion School Committee Meeting
5:00 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting

6:00 PM - Plymouth County Advisory Board
7:00 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
9:00 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting
10:30 PM - Massachusetts Gubernatorial Debate at U.Mass Dartmouth

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT

Comcast Channel 95 Verizon Channel 40

Daily Schedule

8:00 AM - Massachusetts Gubernatorial Debate at U.Mass Dartmouth
10:30 AM - Latest Planning Board Meeting
11:30 AM - Plymouth County Advisory Board
1:00 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
2:00 PM - Latest Tri-Town Board of Selectmen Meeting
3:00 PM - Plymouth County Advisory Board
4:00 PM - Rochester School Committee
6:30 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
7:00 PM - Latest Tri-Town Board of Selectmen Meeting
9:00 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting
9:30 PM - Massachusetts Gubernatorial Debate at U.Mass Dartmouth

EDUCATION CHANNEL

Comcast Channel 18

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Daily Schedule

8:00 AM - Upper Cape Tech Presents - Careers
8:30 AM - Life After ORR
9:00 AM - Inside ORR
9:30 AM - ORRHS Class Projects
Noon - ORRHS Volleyball
1:00 PM - ORRHS - Meet the Author: Kathleen Brunelle
2:00 PM - Life After ORR
2:30 PM - ORRHS Class Projects
3:00 PM - 2010 Suites and Sweets Concert
4:30 PM - Upper Cape Tech Presents - Careers
5:00 PM - ORRHS Volleyball
6:00 PM - ORRHS - Meet the Author: Kathleen Brunelle
7:00 PM - 2010 Suites and Sweets Concert
8:30 PM - Inside ORR

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Tri-Town Early Childhood Council

The meeting date for the Tri-Town Early Childhood Council has been changed from October 26 to Thursday, **November 4**, at 6:00 pm at Sippican School. All are invited to attend.

Marion Recreation Basketball

Marion Recreation will hold an Information and Registration Night for basketball for children in grades 4,5 and 6 on Thursday, **October 28**, in the Marion Town Hall. Please use the Main St. entrance.

Machacam Club

The Machacam Club will hold its **November 3** meeting at the Legion Hall, 3 Depot Street. Social time is 5:30 pm, dinner at 6:00 pm.

We are quite fortunate to have David S. Jenney, PhD, and a native of Mattapoisett as our speaker this month. David holds his PhD in Aeronautical Engineering from UPI and will speak on his involvement in the development and ultimate production of the UH 60 helicopter while associated with Sikorsky. The UH 60 is known as the "Black Hawk" and has become a virtual

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EDITOR'S PICK OF THE WEEK

Seaplane Event Draws Crowd to Rochester

By Laura Pedulli

Last Sunday, October 24, approximately 20 seaplane modelers and their fans ventured out to Mary's Pond in Rochester. Dozens of spectators watched seaplane model pilots fly their creations on and around the pond against a perfect autumn backdrop.

The Second Annual John Nicolaci Memorial Float Fly honored the memory of John Nicolaci, a reputable contributor to the model aviation world. The pilots took turns launching their planes, which included miniature replicas of World War II planes including a Scale OS2U Fisher King, which was used during the war to detect submarines from battleships. Also, miniatures of Piper Cubs, Super Cubs, PBM Mariners, and W2s were among the ranks of planes at the event. In addition, pilots flew sports-scale planes, or models from their own imaginations. The models are made from materials including foam, balsa wood and some are reinforced with fiberglass.

The event formally raised money for the John Nicolaci exhibit in the old Fairchild Aircraft hanger at the Hagerstown Aviation Museum in Hagerstown, MD. However, Ted Brito, a member of the Bristol County Radio Control Club who was integral in coordinating the event, hoped the seaplane flight display would encourage the younger generation to pursue plane making and flying as a hobby.

"We are trying to get kids interested. The age of the modeler is going up these days," he said. Mr. Brito, who also is an instructor, noted that the education system has changed and does not provide industrial lab instruction as it did in the past. These old courses had taught kids real mechanical skills, including welding and how to make furniture, and prepared them to enjoy plane modeling.

Mr. Brito, however, believes that children can get involved in modeling as early as six or seven years

old at a reasonable cost. The airplane-modeling hobby teaches kids how to read a ruler and instills pride in them when their plane launches into the sky. "I worked with a 13-year old. He was learning to read a ruler and building his own plane. I remember he was so upset when he put in a quarter inch piece of balsa instead of a 3/16th piece. He developed a sense of pride. His plane flew. That is something kids today don't have. [With this hobby], they can say, 'I built that. Look at that. I did it myself.' It makes you strive," he said.

An introductory kit costs somewhere in the range of \$100, which is comparable to what children pay for video games. This kit includes a starter plane with a 46-inch wingspan and transmitter. He said the hobby

helps kids appreciate the miracle of flying, which he feels is now too often taken for granted. "We live in the McDonald's era of life," he said.

Mr. Brito also encourages the purchase of a computer simulator program that teaches kids how to fly virtually before actually taking the pilot seat. Clubs also exist to bring together individuals interested in the hobby so they can fly together in condoned open-space areas. At these events, new pilots can get hooked up

to a "buddy box" that alternately lets the newbie and experienced pilot control the plane.

Overall, Mr. Brito described airplane piloting and modeling as a "very decent hobby"

To honor the late Mr. Nicolaci, the event showcased his copy of the original PBM Mariner, which flew for an astonishing 37 years. Mr. Brito also noted that some hobbyists are linked in special ways to the craft. For instance, 95-year old club member Fred Tuxworth built a King Fisher model - the same one he helped build years ago during World War II!

For more information on plane making and modeling, contact Mr. Brito at Edward.Brito@staples.com.



Above: An image of John Nicolaci, a reputable model aviation expert, and one of his planes was on display at the October 24, 2010 Second Annual John Nicolaci Memorial Float Fly that took place at St. Mary's Pond in Rochester, MA.



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Mattapoisett Quaker Meeting

On **October 30**, at 6:00 pm there will be a potluck and presentation by visitor from Quaker school in Ramallah at Mattapoisett Friends (Quaker) meeting 103 Marion Road (route 6) Mattapoisett.

The potluck dinner will start at 6:00 pm, followed by a presentation at 7:00 pm by Joyce Aljouny, Director of the Ramallah Friends School (RFS). Founded in 1869 by Vassalboro (ME) Friends Sybil and Eli Jones, the School is currently operated by Friends United Meeting.

Joyce is a member of the Ramallah Monthly Meeting and is one of the very few Palestinian Quakers left in the country. Joyce is a graduate of RFS and also a mother of three boys, two of which attend the school and a third who is an alumnus. Her job involves oversight of both the lower and upper school campuses. This includes ensuring that the rigorous academic program develops to meet the modern day challenges, fundraising, infrastructure development, community building and



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The Occasion Singers are scheduled to perform at special cabaret evening hosted by the Marion Art Center. At the event on November 6 at 7:30 pm, the group will perform jazz and light pop classics a cappella style. Photo courtesy of Wendy Bidstrup.



Dozens enjoyed sights of whizzing planes over Mary's Pond in Rochester on Sunday, October 24 at the Second Annual John Nicolaci Memorial Float Fly. The event, hosted by the Bristol County Control Club, featured Radio Control seaplanes and their builders and flyers. Photos by Laura Pedulli.

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

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Joyce will speak about the important impact that the RFS has had on the community throughout its 140-year history as a leading school in the Middle East. She will be seeking donations to support the school. More information about the school can be found at www.palfriends.org.

Playgroup Facilitators Needed

The Old Rochester Regional Early Childhood Office is looking for anyone interested in facilitating a preschool or infant playgroup.

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The Mattapoissett Land Trust's fourth annual Salty Silvery Moon Soiree at Dunseith Gardens on Saturday, October 23 attracted throngs of lovers of campfires, s'mores, old-fashioned storytelling and cider. Photos by Laura Pedulli.



The Varsity Girls – Jillian “Jiji” Zucco, Simone Cardosa, Kimber-Lee Jacobsen and Jillian Jensen – opened for musical guest, James Taylor, and President Obama at Governor Deval Patrick's Rally on Saturday, October 16 in an overcrowded hall at the Hynes Convention Center in Boston. The local teens performed three songs (one cover and two originals) prior to James Taylor performing three selections of his own and President Obama taking the stage to address those in attendance. Photo courtesy of Kelly Zucco.



The local pop teen band, Varsity Girls, performed to a sold-out crowd on October 22 at Old Rochester Regional High School. The event benefited local school programming. Photo courtesy of Kelly Zucco.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Ghostbusted

By Rob Gonsalves
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***Paranormal Activity 2*. Starring Sprague Grayden and Brian Boland. Directed by Tod Williams. Running time: 91 minutes. MPAA rating: R.**

The secret of the *Paranormal Activity* films, visually, is their dead-eyed perspective. In the first film, much of the spooky stuff unfolded in front of a static camcorder. In *Paranormal Activity 2*, we spend a lot of time looking at surveillance-camera footage. This is the opposite of shaky-cam; it's from-beyond-the-grave-cam. The unmoving camera just stares, blankly and without editorializing, and waits for something to happen. The point of view is chillingly remote, indifferent to the characters' fear and suffering; everything is merely *recorded*. In a way, this blanched footage harks back to the beginnings of American horror cinema, from the silents to the early '30s, when directors like Tod Browning just let scenes play out and gather quiet dread.

Put the two films together and you have a pretty good fit; they proceed from and amplify each other. *Paranormal Activity 2* isn't much as its own movie; it essentially pulls out the same bag of tricks — the thumps in the night, the invisible forces pulling people out of the room. When the movie is feeling particularly boisterous, a bunch of kitchen-cabinet doors open at once. The filmmakers go a long, long way solely on the audience's queasy anticipation of what's to come. Some will say the way is *too* long; at the Saturday-night screening I attended, there was a bit of is-something-going-to-happen-sometime-soon grumbling, and a little kid sitting near me — an Ebert in training — commented loudly, “When is the movie going to start?”

To avoid spoilers, some of the following will read as inaccurate to those who've seen the film. *Paranormal Activity 2* follows a different couple in a different house; they have a baby son, and the father has



a teenage daughter from a previous marriage. Things start happening, slowly at first, and in small doses. The automatic pool cleaner keeps ending up outside the pool overnight. The family dog senses something. So does the Mexican housekeeper, who performs smudging rituals to evict “bad spirits” until the skeptical father fires her. The father, who owns a Burger King franchise, has a lot of money; the house is spacious and impersonal. Both films, actually, pack a “When Bad Paranormal Things Happen to Well-Off People” subtext; any family that can afford a pool that size must have done something to deserve the visitations of a demon.

The teenage girl thinks it's cool that the house apparently has a ghost, until things get uncool and it's clear that the entity is a good deal more malicious. The movie is a bit front-loaded with ominous mood — perhaps the first 45 minutes or so — and then, when there finally *is* paranormal activity, things feel rushed. A desperate decision is made, tying the sequel in with the original, and finishing off with a triple sting. Right now, the two films operate as a smooth unit — someday the whole thing might play well viewed in one big gulp via seamless branching on a Blu-ray. But viewing *Paranormal Activity 2* a year apart feels unavoidably like more of the same. I sincerely hope Paramount doesn't milk this thing for more sequels, but since this film made back twice its cost solely on the Thursday-night midnight showing, get ready for another few years of nocturnal bumps, closing doors, low-frequency rumbles, and night-vision commercials of audiences screaming at the latest sequel.

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- Friday, **October 29**: 8:30 am Yoga; 8:30 am Shaws; 10:00 am Cardio Dance Fit; 11:00 am Speaker-Common Nutrition Myths
- Monday, **November 1**: 9:00 am Garden Club; 9:00 SHINE; 10:00 Knitters Group (all welcome); 12:00 Fitness with Karen; 12:30 Fairhaven Marts; 1:00 Scrabble
- Tuesday, **November 2**: 8:30 am Yoga; 8:30 am Stop and Shop; 9:30 am Public Health Nurse; 1:00 pm Art
- Wednesday, **November 3**: 10:00 am Zumba Gold; 12:00 pm Fitness with Karen; 1:30 pm Bingo
- Thursday, **November 4**: 9:30 am Public Health Nurse; 9:00 am Bridge; 1:00 pm Art; Trip to Boston

Symphony Open Rehearsal

- Friday, **November 5**: 8:30 am Yoga; 8:30 am Shaws; 10:00 am Cardio Dance Fit; 11:00 am Tile Decorating Class begins; Lunch trip to M & C's, New Bedford

Reminders for upcoming weeks:

- Tile Decorating classes begin **November 5**. Call for details
- Trip to La Salette on **November 28**
- Trip to New York City on December 10 by Motor coach: \$48
- Jersey Boys on **January 27, 2011**. Cost of Ticket and Van: \$55



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MARION

Log highlights October 17-October 23

- Front St. – Burglar alarm
- Converse Rd – Animal complaint
- Route 195 west – Vehicle complaint
- Wareham Rd – MVA/injury
- Joanne Dr – General service
- Island Wharf Rd – Motor vehicle stop
- Job's Cove Rd – Animal complaint
- Point Rd – D.M.V.
- Spring St – Burglar alarm
- Zora Rd – Animal complaint
- Point Rd – Suspicious motor vehicle
- Lewis St – General service
- Mill St – Motor vehicle stop
- Cove Cir – Burglar alarm
- Main St – Lockout
- Mill St – Family offense
- County Rd – Paper service
- Quelle Ln – Assist/other police dept
- Wareham Rd – Motor vehicle stop/arrest
- Mill St – Officer wanted
- Joanne Dr – Animal complaint
- Spring St – Medical emergency
- Rte 195 east – MVA/property
- Point Rd – Property found
- Washburn Park Rd – Officer wanted
- Holmes Ln – Suspicious person
- Abel's Way – General service
- Spring St – Medical emergency
- Wettermoore St – Animal complaint
- Parkway Ln – Paper service

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights October 16-October 23

- North St – MV violations
- County Rd – MV crash
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Mechanic St – Health/welfare
- Crystal Spring Rd – General service
- North St – Alarm, burglar
- Angelica Ave – MV violations
- Acushnet Rd – Ambulance request
- Pearl St – Suspicious person
- Goodspeed Isl – Animal control
- County Rd – Received summons
- Driscoll Ln – Ambulance request
- Marion Rd – MV crash
- Cove St – Summons service
- Marion Rd – Assault/past
- Crystal Springs Rd – MV violations
- Barstow St – Suspicious person
- Hereford Hill Rd – Assist other agency
- River Rd – MV violations
- Water St – Fire, other
- Main St – Ambulance request
- Acushnet Rd – Disturbance
- Spruce St – Health/welfare
- Wolf island Rd – Mutual aid/police
- Marion Rd – Disturbance
- County Rd – MV lockout
- Ned's Point Rd – Vandalism
- Mattapoisett Neck Rd – MV general
- North St – MV violations
- Driscoll Ln – General service

ROCHESTER

Log highlights October 18-October 24

- Bassett St – Fire, other
- Robinson Rd – Alarm, fire
- Cushman Rd – Animal control
- Wolf Island Rd – Traffic hazard
- Snipatuit Rd – Motor vehicle stop
- Deerfield Ter – Ambulance request
- Cross Rd – Animal control
- Marion Rd – Alarm, fire
- Mattapoisett Rd – Erratic operation
- Dexter Ln – Civil complaint
- Neck Rd – General services
- Thistle Ln – Information only
- Cranberry Hwy – Officer wanted
- Mary's Pond Rd – Disturbance
- Burgess Ave – Harassment order service
- Cranberry Hwy – Ambulance request
- Hartley Rd – Paper service
- County Rd – Noise complaint
- Burgess Ave – Paper service
- Mendell St – Complaint
- High St – Alarm, burglar
- Pine St – Disturbance
- New Bedford Rd – Animal control
- County Rd – Traffic hazard
- Braley Hill Rd – Disabled MV
- Kings Hwy – Ambulance request
- Cushing Ln – Lockout
- Bishop Rd - Vandalism
- Forster Rd – Fire, other
- South St – Assist other agency



REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday November 1: Swedish meatballs, buttered noodles, roman blend veg, whole wheat bread, peaches
 Tuesday November 2: Lasagna w/tomato sauce, Italian blend veg, multi grain roll, pudding
 Wednesday November 3: Minestrone soup, herb baked chicken, rice pilaf, Italian bread, orange
 Thursday November 4: High Sodium-Hot dog, veggie baked beans, California blend veg, hot dog roll, applesauce
 Friday November 5: Pier 17 Baked fish, au-gratin potatoes, geneo blend veg, whole wheat bread, almond cookie, Diet: graham waffle

MATTAPOISETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday November 1: No school
 Tuesday November 2: Chicken tender, mashed potato, gravy,

vegetable, fresh fruit, choice of milk
 Wednesday November 3: Spaghetti w/meatballs, vegetable, bread, fresh fruit, choice of milk
 Thursday November 4: Tomato Soup, grilled cheese, pumpkin cookies, sugar free pudding, fresh fruit, choice of milk
 Friday November 5: Pizza, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday November 1: No school
 Tuesday November 2: Meatloaf, gravy, baked potato, roll, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk
 Wednesday November 3: American chop suey, salad, choice of fruit, choice of milk
 Thursday November 4: Chicken Panini, oven baked fried, choice of fruit, choice of milk

Friday November 5: Chicken or cheese quesadilla, salad, choice of fruit, choice of milk

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Monday November 1: No school
 Tuesday November 2: Chicken tender, mashed potato, gravy, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk
 Wednesday November 3: Spaghetti w/meatballs, vegetable, bread, fresh fruit, choice of milk
 Thursday November 4: Tomato Soup, grilled cheese, pumpkin cookies, sugar free pudding, fresh fruit, choice of milk
 Friday November 5: Pizza, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk

SIPPICAN SCHOOL, MARION

Monday November 1: No school
 Tuesday November 2: Chicken tender, mashed potato, gravy, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice

of milk
 Wednesday November 3: Spaghetti w/meatballs, vegetable, bread, fresh fruit, choice of milk
 Thursday November 4: Tomato Soup, grilled cheese, pumpkin cookies, sugar free pudding, fresh fruit, choice of milk
 Friday November 5: Pizza, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk

OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday November 1: Chicken patty, fried, cranberry sauce, carrots, peas
 Tuesday November 2: Pasta & meat sauce, green beans, bread, mixed fruit
 Wednesday November 3: Waffles, hash browns, sausage, strawberries
 Thursday November 4: Sloppy Joe, rice, peas, peaches
 Friday November 5: Stuff crust pizza, salad, fruit

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Marion Community Blood Drive

The American Red Cross and the Marion Community are holding a blood drive on Wednesday, **November 17**, from 1:00 to 6:00 pm at Pythagorean Lodge A and AM at 13 Spring Street in Marion to support the community blood supply for patients in need. Every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood, and every pint donated could save up to three lives.

Marion Council on Aging

As many of you know November is National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month. **November 16** is National Memory Screening Day. The Marion Council on Aging (COA) will be offering free memory screening on that day by appointment. Appointments will begin at 9:00 am. The screening will only take 10 to 15 minutes.

The COA has free tickets to the Tri-County Symphonic Band performances on **February 6, 2011** and **March 20, 2011**. All performances begin at 3:00 pm.

Please call the COA for your free ticket to the pasta dinner at Old Rochester Regional High School on October 28 at 4:30 pm. After the dinner you are invited to stay for the open house from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Transportation will be provided.

Munro Waterfront Clean Up

The Mattapoisett Land Trust is hosting a clean up at the waterfront, west of the town wharves and Shipyard Park on **November 6**. We will start at 10:00 am removing fall debris and clearing invasives from the property in preparation for a spring treatment. Members and friends are welcome to lend a helping hand. Please bring your own rakes, clippers and gloves and help the MLT maintain this high-profile property. For more information call 774-377-9191 or email info@mattlandtrust.org.



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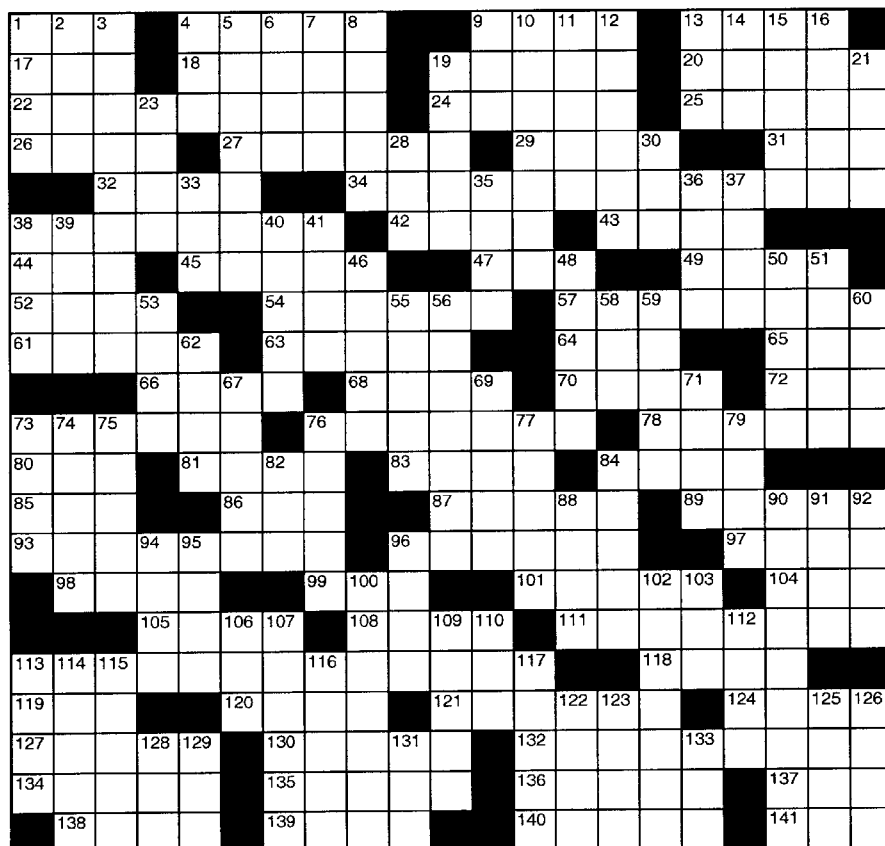
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4 Spud
9 Passing fashions
13 Swerve
17 "Mighty ___" a Rose
18 Physicist Joliot-Curie
19 Flick
20 Correctional
22 Start of a remark by Milton Berle
24 Where Devils fight Flames
25 Musical of "Tomorrow"
26 Swit co-star
27 They may be frozen
29 Dweeb
31 "Born in the ___" ('84 hit)
32 Neat as ___
34 Part 2 of ___ remark
38 Jeopardize
42 Fairy-tale start
43 Base stuff?
44 TV's "The ___ Squad"
45 Johnson of "Brief Encounter"
47 Rainbow shape
49 Where to find edelweiss

- 52 Shopper's Shangri-la
54 Napoleon's cousin
57 Quilled critter
61 Winning
63 Winner
64 Altar
65 Actor answer
66 Adroit
68 Velvety plant
70 Theater section
72 DC figure
73 Dental appointment, for some
76 Part 3 of remark
78 Circular, e.g.
80 For each
81 Tibetan monk
83 Ceremony
84 Conceal
85 Sedan
86 Maglie of baseball
87 Crete's capital
89 Beardless dwarf
93 "A Christmas Carol" name
96 Cocktail ingredient

- 97 Breaker
98 "Kismet" character
99 Bit part in "Cleopatra"?
101 Mythical weeper
104 ___ Pan Alley
105 Spellbound
108 Word with candy or copy
111 Labors
113 Part 4 of remark
118 Connecticut campus
119 USN rank
120 Leave
121 San Luis
124 "Them!" critters
127 Actor Christopher
130 Incited, with "on"
132 End of remark
134 Designer Donna
135 Card or bill
136 Mrs. Ethan Frome
137 Kauai
138 Lovett or Waggoner
139 "Eat your dinner ___ dessert!"
140 "Rawhide" role

- 141 Fashion monogram
DOWN
1 Utah resort
2 Comic Mort
3 Vamoose
4 Ascot or bolo
5 Set up
6 "Guarding ___" ('94 film)
7 Hazzard County deputy
8 Extend a subscription
9 In place of
10 Steed or Peel
11 Alice's restaurant?
12 Barbecued
13 Loser's locale
14 He's a doll
15 Boredom
16 Pants measurement
19 He's dropped a few bricks
21 Wife of Jacob
23 Daddy
28 Even if, informally
30 Narc's org.
33 Business abbr.
35 Rent-
36 Forest father
37 Corduroy

- ridge
38 Madame Bovary
39 Wyle of "ER"
40 Choose
41 Loaded
46 Battle site of 1836
48 Prepare the champagne
50 Part of a process
51 Dignified
53 Stow
55 "___-propre" (self-esteem)
56 Massachusetts town
58 Tokyo, formerly
59 Cowboy's critter
60 Fellow
62 Distribute the deck
67 Instant
69 Indian lute
71 Writer
73 Crude stadium cartel
74 Fashionably nostalgic
75 Night vision?
76 "Big Three" site
77 October Revolution name
79 Deliberate
82 ___ tai (rum cocktail)
84 Mist
88 Give off
90 Without complaining
91 Sinister
92 Desires
94 Skater
95 Grouch
96 Petty clash?
100 '65 Jr.
Walker & the All Stars hit
102 New Jersey city
103 ___ Marie Saint
106 Raven maven?
107 Prom wear
109 ___ Island
110 Society miss
112 Sitka's st.
113 Escapade
114 Perfect
115 Abrasive substance
116 ___ lily
117 Posh
122 Queens
123 Artist
Mondrian
125 Stocking stuffers?
126 Besmirch
128 Actor Kilmer
129 Compass pt.
131 Author Umberto
133 Helium or hydrogen



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might be growing impatient with a situation that seems to resist efforts to resolve it. But staying with it raises the odds that you'll find a way to a successful resolution.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Travel and kinship are strong in the Bovine's aspect this week. This would be a good time to combine the two and take a trip to see family members for a pre-holiday get-together.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A colleague could make a request you're not comfortable with. If so, say so. Better to disappoint someone by sticking with your principles than disappoint yourself if you don't.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The Moon Child's ability to adapt to life's ebbs and flows helps you deal with the changes that you might confront at work or at home, or both. Things settle down by the week's end.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's a good week for Leos and Leonas to get some long-outstanding business matters resolved. Then go ahead and plan a fun-filled family getaway weekend with the mate and the cubs.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A possible workplace change seems promising. If you decide to look into it, try not to form an opinion on just a small part of the picture: Wait for the full image to develop.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A newcomer helps keep things moving. There might be some bumpy moments along the way, but at least you're heading in the right direction. You win praise for your choices.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You could be pleasantly surprised by how a decision about one thing opens up an unexpected new option. Also, assistance on a project could come from a surprising source.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) With more information to work with, you might now be able to start the process that could lead to a major change. Reserve the weekend for family and friends.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)

This could be a good time to begin gathering information that will help you turn that long-held idea into something substantive. A personal matter might need extra attention.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) That new challenge might carry some surprises. But you should be able to handle them using what you already know. That new supporter should be there to lend assistance.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Someone might be trying to disguise his or her true motives. But the perceptive and perspicacious Pisces should have little or no problem finding the truth in all that foggy rhetoric.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can always rely on your people skills to help you find solutions to problems others often give up on.

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Cat and Dog Rabies Clinic

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Elizabeth Taber Library

- We welcome all to join **Women Sharing Words** on **October 22**, the fourth Friday of this month, at 6:30 pm at the Elizabeth Taber Library to share a cup of tea, our writing, our thoughts, and to consider new possibilities for women in the community and at the library. The Elizabeth Taber Library is located next to Town Hall at 8 Spring Street in Marion, MA. For more information call 508 748-1252. Hope to see you there.

- **Autumn Storytime**, for children between the ages of three and five in the Children's Room at the Elizabeth Taber Library. Children are invited to enjoy stories, finger plays and crafts on Monday mornings at 10:30 am. Autumn Storytime continues through **November 29**. Sign-up is required.

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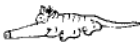
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LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN A public hearing will be held on November 4, 2010 at 7:30 PM in the Meeting Room of the Council on Aging, located at 67 Dexter Lane, Rochester, Massachusetts regarding remanded proceedings on the application of Featherbed Development Corporation, which is seeking a so-called Comprehensive Permit for 144 units of housing under the provisions of G.L. c. 40B, §§20-23 for property located on Featherbed Lane, Assessors Plan 46, Lots 22 and 35. Richard J. Manning, Jr., Chairman 10/21, 10/28 LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, November 9, 2010 at 4:40 p.m. in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the variance request submitted by SFG Associates pertaining to the property located at 826 Mill Street, further identified as Map 17, Lot 19. The following variances to Title 5, Section 15.405(1) are requested: (b) to allow the s.a.s. to be approximately 13' from the crawl space, instead of the 20' requirement. (h) to allow the base of the s.a.s. to be 3.07' above the water table, instead of the required 4.0'. (i) to allow for the use of a sieve analysis to determine the soil classification, in lieu of performing a percolation test. (k) to allow for one deep hole, instead of the required two. In addition to the local upgrades, the following variance is required to the Town of Marion Sanitary Code Section 4.60.2: To allow the house to be designed for a minimum flow of 220 gallons per day, instead of the required 300 gallons per day. Elizabeth Dunn, R.N., Chairman 10/28, 11/04 LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, November 9, 2010 at 4:40 p.m. in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the variance request submitted by GAF Engineering pertaining to the property located at Front Street, further identified as Map 23, Lot 5A. The following variances to the Marion Sanitary Code are requested: Section IV 4.40 Minimum Setback Distances Required: The Soil Absorption System shall be constructed at least 75' from a wetland. Provided: The Soil Absorption System is proposed to be constructed 52' from the wetland. Section IV 4.60 Sewage System Flow Design Criteria Required: A Septic System for new construction shall have a design capacity of 495 gallons/day. Provided: The Septic System is designed to have a capacity of 361 gallons/day. (This is for a proposed 2 bedroom house and therefore meets the 165 gallons/bedroom criteria. The above variances are requested with the following conditions:	1. The septic system is to be equipped with a Micro Fast 0.5L insert to reduce the nitrogen output prior to the discharge to the soil absorption system. 2. The owner will execute and file a deed restriction (restricting the number of bedrooms in the proposed house to two (2) with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. Elizabeth Dunn, R.N., Chairman 10/28, 11/04 LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPoisETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 8, 2010 at 6:30PM in the Town Hall on a Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by Michael and Kimberly Ward, 26 Meadowbrook Lane, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to clear .25 acres and construct a shed. The project is located at 26 Meadowbrook Lane and is further identified as Lot 35A, Sublot 2 on Assessor Map 14. Conservation Commission 10/28	Year-Round Rental in Marion Village. 4 bedroom, 3 bath home on Front Street, just steps from Tabor and local shops. Available for \$2,200 per month. For more information please call 774.526.0471. YOUR HOUSEKEEPER Residential, Cottage, and Office Cleaning Bonded and Insured 508-207-6362 or 508-994-2711 Place your classified ads 24 hours a day 7 days a week on-line at www.wanderer.com
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children (birth through 23 months) accompanied by their enthusiastic adult companions (one child per lap, please). Each program will last about 20 minutes, with time for parents and children to enjoy one another's company and the library's resources afterwards. The series will be held Tuesday mornings at 10:30 am until **November 30**. Sign-up is required.

For more information, or to sign up for storytimes, stop by the library, call or email Rosemary Grey, Children's Librarian, at rgrey@sailsinc.org. The library is located at 8 Spring Street in Marion. The phone number is 508-748-1252. Information about library programs is also available on the library's website at www.elizabethtablerlibrary.org.

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Plumb Library News

- On Wednesday, **November 10** at 3:00 pm, there will be a tea for participants in the "Scarves for Soldiers" project. Anyone who knitted a scarf to send to a soldier in Afghanistan is invited to attend to meet other knitters, turn in finished projects, and socialize. Refreshments are funded by the Friends of Plumb Library. The current total of completed scarves (as of this writing) is 115. The deadline to turn in a scarf is **November 12**.

- The "Just the Facts" nonfiction book discussion group selection for November is *Isaac's Storm* by Erik Larsson. This is the story of the devastating Galveston hurricane of 1900, and signaled the start of importance of the US Weather Service. The discussion will take place on

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- Help Plumb Library celebrate Family Literacy Month by participating in our READ TOGETHER



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- The Holiday Open House will take place on Saturday, **December 4**, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Items for the Silent Auction should be dropped off by Wednesday, **November 24**. Wreath order forms will be available through the month of November, either in the

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Andrea Porter	October 30
Timothy Schroeder	October 30
Cassie Savery	October 31
Daniel Torrence	October 31
Amanda Sexton	November 1
Joey Rosa	November 3
Justin Taylor	November 3

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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library or on the library website, www.plumblibrary.com.

Mattapoisett Free Public Library

- The **Turtle Guy** is coming to the library! Don Lewis and Sue Wieber-Nourse will present a multimedia presentation for all ages on Thursday, **October 28**, at 3:00 pm. Tiny turtles will be among the gems that they will share. Come and learn about turtles of the SouthCoast region and bring your questions.
- The next meeting of the **"Cooks and Books" group** will be Tuesday, **November 2**, at 7:00 pm. Wayne Gibson will be discussing how to make healthy marinades and dressings with ingredients from the home pantry. Everyone is welcome to attend meetings of the group on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm.
- The **Writers' Group** continues to meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 6:30 pm. All genres are discussed in a supportive environment.
- The Children's Department is busy with story times for toddlers and preschoolers. Family story time is offered on the first Saturday of each month at 10:30 am. Families are encouraged to bring their favorite books, and guest readers are welcome. Snacks are served. The next family story time is Saturday, **November 6**.
- Computer tutoring is available for free at the library. Don't be left out of the electronic age. Learn how to use email, search the web, and share pictures. Call Elizabeth Sherry to schedule an appointment at 508-758-4171.
- **Free Friday Film** – Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the publication of *To Kill a Mockingbird* with a viewing of the award-winning film starring Gregory Peck. The film will be shown at the library on Friday, **October 15**, at 6:30 pm. Refreshments are free.

ORR Basketball Camp

The Lady Bulldog Tipoff Skills Camp will be held on **November 13** at Old Rochester Regional High School from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. The camp, which will focus on ball handling, shooting, rebounding and defensive skills, is open to area girl basketball players 12 years and older. The camp is directed by ORR Coach Bob Hohne and will feature staff consisting of UMass Dartmouth Coach Amanda VanVoorhis, former Boston College player Pete Krause, and former Husson and UMaine player Jeff Dickerson and the ORR coaching staff. The clinic is free but donations for the Lady Bulldog Basketball Program will be accepted. For more details contact Coach Hohne at 508-758-9081 or by email at rhohne@orr.mec.edu

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Marion Real Estate Tax Due Date

Marion Tax Collector Gary J. Carreiro would like to remind residents that second quarter Fiscal Year 2011 Preliminary Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Bills are due Monday, **November 1**. Taxpayers may make payment online at www.marionma.gov through eBill having their payments directly withdrawn from their checking or savings account or alternatively mailing their payment with the November payment coupon to the Town of Marion, P.O. Box 785, Reading, MA 01867 or make payment directly at the Town House Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm and on Friday 8:00 am to 3:30 pm.



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Fall Music Events at Tabor Academy

- Monday, **November 8**, 6:30 pm: The Applied Music Recital in Lyndon South Auditorium. Three times per year, Tabor Academy's applied musicians are in concert. Admission is free and open to the public.

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The fair is being held in conjunction with the school's Homecoming Day event, which is expected to bring lots of visitors.

Interested parties should contact coordinators Liz Blouin, lblouin@oldcolony.us or Heather Darcy, hdarcy@oldcolony.us as soon as possible, since space is limited to only one vendor with the same company name. All crafters are welcome!

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ORR Open House

Old Rochester Regional High School will host the Second Annual Community Open House on **October 28** from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. The event is once again being offered to all members of the Tri-Town community, and especially those families of younger children who otherwise may not know the opportunities that the high school has to offer. ORRHS hopes to attract those who live, work or own a business in the area to visit the high school, see the highlights of each academic department and view presentations of students engaged in the arts, music, technology and extracurricular areas that the school community is so proud of.

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Marion Natural History Museum Programs

Friday Family Programs

- **November 3** – Sea Turtles - Did you know that four species of sea turtles are found around Cape Cod and southeastern Massachusetts in the summer? Come and learn about these endangered species, from the young Kemp's ridleys, the size of a dinner plate, to the giant leatherbacks, which can be eight feet long and weigh more than a thousand pounds.

- **December 8** – Nature Crafts – We will work on projects for gift-giving using materials we find outside our front doors, (volunteers to help with crafts would be most welcome). Light refreshments will be served.

For registration forms and times, visit the Marion Natural History Museum website at www.MarionMuseum.org.

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October 29:	Fri.	12:41	1:08	5:50	6:59
October 30:	Sat.	1:48	2:08	6:56	8:26
October 31:	Sun.	2:48	3:11	8:21	9:41
November 1:	Mon.	3:50	4:15	9:50	10:31
November 2:	Tues.	4:51	5:17	10:58	11:14
November 3:	Wed.	5:49	6:14	11:53	11:57
November 4:	Thurs.	6:44	7:07	...	12:44
November 5:	Fri.	7:35	7:57	12:39	1:34
November 6:	Sat.	8:24	8:46	1:23	2:22
November 7:	Sun.	8:12	8:34	2:07	2:08
November 8:	Mon.	9:02	9:24	1:51	2:52
November 9:	Tues.	9:52	10:15	2:35	3:35
November 10:	Wed.	10:45	11:09	3:21	4:19
November 11:	Thurs.	11:37	...	4:06	5:05
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November 14:	Sun.	1:48	2:16	7:38	8:10

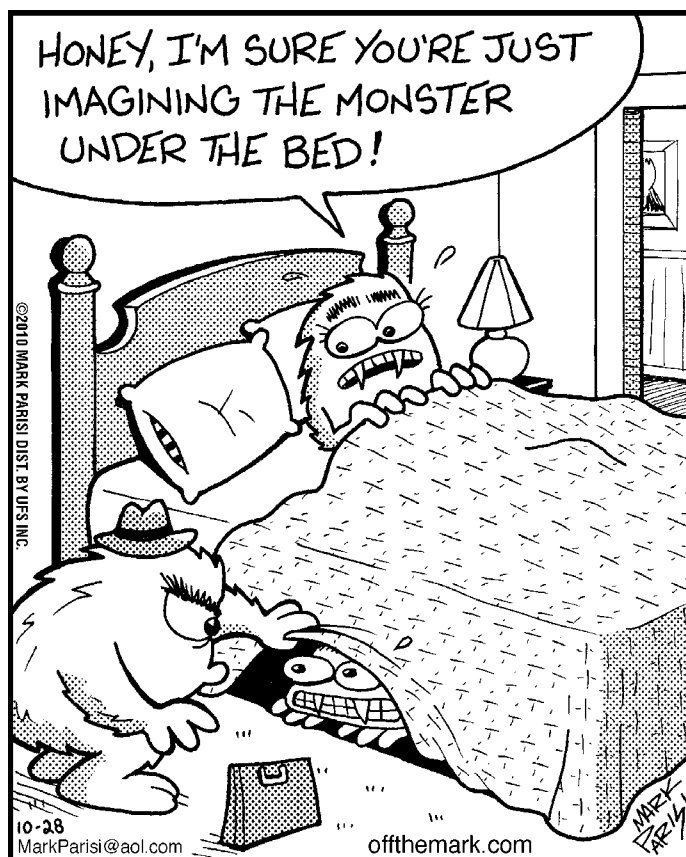
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